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## JAPAN INVOKES THE NATIONAL GENERAL MOBILISATION ACT

### Maritime System On War-time Footing: State Control Of The Stock Exchange: America Fully Prepared With Counter-measures

### LARGE RECRUITING RUSH IN AUSTRALIA

THE JAPANESE GOVERNMENT HAS DECIDED TO INVOKE THE FULL PROVISION OF THE NATIONAL GENERAL MOBILISATION ACT, INCLUDING ARTICLE 19 WHICH PROVIDES FOR STATE CONTROL OF STOCK EXCHANGE. SUCH CONTROL IS EXPECTED TO TAKE THE FORM OF RESTRICTIONS ON THE RANGE OF DAILY FLUCTUATION IN MARKET QUOTATIONS.

The ASAHI SHIMBUN gave prominence to reports that the Government is rushing plans to place shipping under the complete emergency control, thus putting the maritime system on a water-tight war-time footing, says Reuter from Tokyo.

The paper disclosed that the plans include the abolition of the existing Central Shipping Control Association and its replacement by a powerful semi-official body of members who will be selected from leading shipping concerns.

### 600 THOUSAND AUSTRALIANS UNDER ARMS

A recent call for recruits in Australia brought 160,000 men. Australia now has 600,000 men under arms with 200,000 in the A. I. F. and war workers were estimated at 150,000, says Reuter.

FOR A. R. P.  
The Federal Loan Council has set aside £1,000,000 in A. R. P. and defence chiefs are to meet to discuss how the money shall be laid out.

### WORST AERIAL BOMBARDMENT OF CHUNGKING

Chungking had its worst aerial bombardment yesterday, says Reuter.

During the last four days the Japanese used 400 aircraft and dropped over 3,000 bombs.

For the first time yesterday, Army planes were used.

### BATTLE OF BRITAIN

LONDON, Aug. 11 (BWS)—Today, Aug. 11, is the anniversary of one of the biggest Nazi air attacks launched in the Battle of Britain.

About 400 enemy aircraft participated in the raid on Portland and Dover. Sixty were destroyed and 28 R.A.F. planes were shot down.

On Sunday, British aircraft attacked enemy shipping and fighters carried out several sweeps over Northern France.

In the shipping attacks, three R.A.F. machines were lost but in the sweeps no opposition was encountered.

The United States is fully prepared with counter-measures to be applied one by one for each step Japan takes in future, according to Mr. Kaname Wakasugi, Japanese Minister in Washington, in a telephone interview with the NICHU NICHU SHIMBUN from San Francisco.

THE THAILAND QUESTION IS PARTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR HIS RETURN TO TOKYO.

"On the whole, the United States seems to desire to maintain amity with Japan, but if the worst comes, they are prepared," he said.

"IT IS QUITE CLEAR THEY WILL NEVER TAKE THE INITIATIVE AND THEIR ATTITUDE DEPENDS ENTIRELY ON THE ATTITUDE OF JAPAN."

He added that the United States had mistaken the idea of the Japanese policy patterned after and correlative with the Germans.

### Next Step By Japan Will Be Met By Force

Another step in Japan's mad dog policy, said MAJOR ALLEN MURRAY, when he broadcast from London yesterday, would be met by force, the combined forces of the democratic Powers who have vital interests in the Pacific and have not the slightest intention of letting go of these interests.

Japan, he added, must surely realise now that Thailand, if attacked, would not be alone and would have the help of the democracies.

We could be sure that German influence was responsible for most of the actions of Japan.

Thailand was putting up a brave face and had declared that she would resist to the bitter end.

### EVACUATING MALAYA

SINGAPORE, Aug. 11 (Reuter)—Japanese nationals are evacuating Malaya, via the International Express, to Bangkok.

The evacuation is stated to be due to the closing of Japanese businesses and the reduction in staff of big Japanese firms following the freezing order.

It is reported that a request is made by the Japanese Government for a special ship to evacuate about 300 nationals in Singapore.

### Million Tons Of Merchant Shipping In Canada

MR. ANGUS MACDONALD, Canadian Minister for Naval Services, who is in London to discuss shipbuilding with the British authorities, stated that Canada had in contracts for 1,000,000 tons of merchant shipping of two standard sizes—10,000 and 6,000 tons, says Reuter.

They also hoped to lay down destroyers and for this purpose the transfer of skilled men from British yards to Canada is under discussion.

Canadian yards had begun to build corvettes since March last year.

"If trouble comes in the Pacific," Mr. Macdonald said, "all I am able to say is that Canada will dispose of its fleet to the best advantage."

"The first duty of our Navy will be to defend Canada wherever that may take it."

Since the war broke out, the Canadian Navy had grown from 13 ships to 250, and personnel from 1,800 to 22,000.

## Thais Threaten To Use Gas Warfare Against Invader: Will Not Yield Any Territory

THE THREAT TO USE GAS WARFARE AGAINST THE INVADER WAS MADE BY THE THAI RADIO ON SUNDAY NIGHT WHEN IT WAS STATED THAT THAI FORCES WOULD NOT YIELD AN INCH OF TERRITORY. They would use every possible means of annihilating the enemy and would adopt all tactics including the most severe form of scorched earth, and if need be, gas.

The extremely vehement tone of this startling and severe warning to any power entertaining aggressive designs on Thailand took the listeners by surprise, says Reuter, and opened the floodgates of speculation about the immediate cause of the broadcast and the latest turn in the situation.

The speaker, uttering the warning, declared that the Thais would die to the last man rather than surrender freedom.

Any invader who succeeded in over-running Thailand would only find Thai territory a vast cemetery of the Thai nation.

The broadcast reminded the would-be aggressor that only a small proportion of Thai armed forces was used in the recent Indo-China border conflict.

Meanwhile, "the way to fight for freedom" was explained by the speaker, stating: "We have learnt that some of our Thai people are hoarding poison gas. Please bring it to the military authorities at once. We will use poison gas from the very beginning of the battle. If we have to retreat, we must burn houses, destroy everything as well as food, communications and even crops in the fields, leaving nothing for the enemy."

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## GERMAN ATTACK AGAINST KIEV, ODESSA MAY BE SUPPLEMENTED BY NAVAL ATTACK ON RUSSIAN CRIMEA

### Three Hundred Barges Assembled At Black Sea Port Of Constanza

"The German attack against Kiev and Odessa may be supplemented by a naval attack against Russian Crimea according to reliable military advice arriving here from Moscow and the Southern Russo-German front," states Martin Agronsky, the National Broadcasting Corporation commentator, according to Reuter.

Agronsky adds that at the Black Sea port of Constanza and at various points north of Constanza along the Black Sea coast between 250 and 300 naval barges, each capable of carrying 400 shock troops complete with special equipment, have been assembled.

At the same time, for the past few weeks, the Nazis have been concentrating at various points along the Rumanian Black Sea coast near Russia's frontier, parts for at least a further 400 barges of similar troop-carrying capacity.

AWKWARD SITUATION  
LONDON, Aug. 9.—The first Russian raid on Berlin, writes the DAILY TELEGRAPH'S Stockholm correspondent, has created an awkward situation for Berlin propagandists.

So far from reporting the raid in detail and claiming the usual astronomical number of planes shot down, the Germans are straining every nerve to conceal from their own people the fact that the raiders were Russian.

To admit this would hardly be compatible with Dr. Goebbels' annihilation, on a typewriter, of the entire Soviet Air Force about a month ago.

In this first account, the Nazis attributed the attack to the R.A.F. In view of later official British denials that the R.A.F. had been over Berlin, these explanations are somewhat lame.

The latest officially inspired messages from Berlin try to explain the British denial by saying that the raid was merely a Luftwaffe night manoeuvre designed to test out the efficiency of a new night defence weapon.

GREAT SUCCESS  
In fact, the raid was a great success and a complete surprise,

as shown by the fact that Berlin's flak never went into action and that only a night fighter went up but too late to deal with the Russian bombers.

The raid was carried out with a force of three squadrons of heavy TB four-engined bombers—the same type as flew over the North Pole from Moscow to California before the war.

Starting from the Baltic island bases of Oesel and Dagoe off the Estonian coast, they completed a 1,200-mile round trip to the German capital without interception and without loss.

The Telegraph's aeronautical correspondent writes:

The highest admiration will be accorded by the Royal Air Force and also by the British public for the skilful planning and execution of the raid. The Russians have achieved one of the greatest operational feats in the present war.

MORE DIFFICULT

The raid was made from bases and under conditions which made the flight to Berlin rather more difficult than it is for the R.A.F. The aircraft used were of the type which had also been used in long-range raids on the Ploesti oil refineries in Rumania. It is a standard type of heavy bomber of

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## Russians Depend On Natural Obstacles

It was disclosed by MAJOR ALLEN MURRAY, in a commentary on the news, broadcast from London last night, that the Russians depend on natural obstacles for their defences.

In the Ukraine, the country was not the marshy sort of fenland but it had such mighty rivers as the Volga and Dnielper which formed one of Russia's main bastions of resistance against the invader.

Following heavy rains the mud became very sticky and slippery and acted as a break for motor vehicle transportation.

Further north, this defence took the form of huge lakes, and further north still there were the endless forests, silent and forbidding.

He added that the Thais are predominantly pro-British.

They believe that if they fight, they will be saving the honour and dignity of men who are confident that the Axis are going to lose and they will get a decent break after in peace.

AXIS CARGO VESSELS

BANGKOK, Aug. 11 (Reuter)—Reports have been received in Bangkok that two Axis cargo vessels, one German and one Italian, aggregating 10,000 tons, which took shelter in the Gulf of Thailand at the outbreak of the European war, slipped off on Friday night. It is believed, for Saigon.

Aircraft were being ferried across the Atlantic in ever increasing numbers and there were no more bottlenecks in production. At the end of the year the number of trained Canadians serving with the Imperial forces overseas would be equal to a division of infantry.

## Considerable Progress By Nazis In Ukraine

LONDON, Aug. 11 (Reuter)—It is authoritatively stated in London today that the Germans appear to have made a considerable progress in the Ukraine.

From information available, it would certainly seem the threat to ODESSA is in reality.

There is nothing to indicate that the Russian front is broken however.

A colossal battle is being fought out in depth, it seems.

Main fighting is probably taking place around Uman but it is possible the advanced German units have pushed forward in the direction of Nikolaev. It is hardly likely there will be sufficient rains to impede tank operations before the middle of September and snow is not experienced in the Ukraine until about October or November.

Information about the situation in the last 24 hours is lacking.

It does not appear the Germans, now in the middle of their third offensive, have brought about much alteration elsewhere on the Eastern front.

## SPITFIRE FUNDS

LONDON, Aug. 11 (BWS)—The Ministry of Aircraft Production received over £14,000,000 up to the end of June as a result of Spitfire funds.

The peak month was October when over £2,000,000 was received.

Almost every town in Britain and every country in the British Empire, as well as many foreign countries outside German control, have contributed towards the total.

A high percentage of the gifts has come from children and schools.

## FAST BEAUFORTS

SYDNEY, Aug. 12 (Reuter)—It is stated that the Beaufort medium torpedo bombers now being manufactured in Australia are the fastest of its type in the world, even faster than those made in Britain.

In 1942, Australia hopes to produce \$20,000,000 worth of planes.

## Today's News Summary

JAPAN HAS INVOKED THE NATIONAL General Mobilisation Act by which all industry will be turned to war production. The emergency Cabinet meeting held in Australia will be continued today.

FROM SINGAPORE COMES A REPORT that there has been no sign of immediate aggravation in the Far East situation.

THE GERMANS ARE REPORTED TO HAVE made considerable progress in the Ukraine and the threat to Odessa is increasing. It is reported that the German advance to Odessa and Kiev may be supplemented by a naval attack on the Russian Crimea.

THE INCREASING MOMENTUM IN THE DRIVE for air supremacy has been commented on by the Canadian Navy Minister in a broadcast.

ENCOURAGING FIGURES OF THE GROWTH of the Canadian Navy are revealed. A vast shipbuilding programme is under way in Canada.

THAILAND HAS ISSUED A SEVERE WARNING that, if necessary, gas warfare will be used against the invader. Thailand will not yield an inch of her territory and would rather die to the last man than to surrender freedom, according to a Bangkok Radio broadcast.

## Increasing Momentum In Drive For Air Supremacy

Broadcasting from Ottawa on Sunday, MR. C. G. POWER, Canadian Minister for Air, spoke on the ever increasing momentum in the drive for air supremacy, says Reuter.

British factories, he said, were turning out vast numbers of aircraft and the great industrial machine of the United States was just getting into stride.

Aircraft were being ferried across the Atlantic in ever increasing numbers and there were no more bottlenecks in production.

At the end of the year the number of trained Canadians serving with the Imperial forces overseas would be equal to a division of infantry.



## SOUTHWARD BOUND

"Where was that?"

"Peterborough. Only one more hour to King's Cross."

"Good. Wonder how Towns looking these days."

"Pretty good, I should say. Any place would look good after a spell of the Northern Parrot. What are you going to do?"

"Oh, the usual things. Art galleries. Museums. Feeding the ducks in St. James's Park."

"Neither am I. I'm going to step high, wide and handsome in spite of the bomb. By the time I've finished the metropolis will be painted a chaotic crushed strawberry."

Well, Well. Boys will be boys. Only beware of pickpockets, don't play billiards with strangers for money, and always wear flannel next your skin."

"I hear you, uncle. And now, take a tip from me. Try and remember this time to mix some Rose's Lime Juice with your gin. Or take a long one to wind up the seemingly fun and games. There's no time for mornings-after on a seven days' leave."

"First sensible thing you've said since we crossed the Forth Bridge. I shall adhere to Rose's Lime Juice like a barnacle to an Italian battleship."

ROSE'S, THE WISE MAN'S NIGHTCAP

## CRAIGENGOWER'S NINTH "SWEEP" SCORED AT THE EXPENSE OF KOWLOON B.G.C. "A"

### Kowloon Tong Is Displaced From Top Of Second Div. By Kowloon Football Club

BY "L. G."

A FEATURE OF SATURDAY'S MATCHES WAS THAT NO LESS THAN FOUR CLUBS WON ON THE AGGREGATE in spite of winning on only one rink. These Clubs were the Police in the First Division, Kowloon C.C. and Hongkong C.C. in the Second and Kowloon F.C. in the Third, and the ships concerned were respectively J. Shepherd, W. W. Parsons, G. E. Costello and R. M. Ogden.

Craigengower scored another clean sweep win over Kowloon Bowling Green "A" at the Valley. This was their ninth clean sweep in twelve matches. U. M. Omar who was trailing 7-14 behind Alf Hall on the 10th head drew level with a seven on the next head and then forged on ahead to win by 30-20. B. W. Bradbury and Charlie Rosset had close games against Adam Holland and Bob Duncan respectively; the former won by four shots and the latter three.

The Police and Kowloon Docks, L. A. Jordan lost to A. K. Sloan by a nine shots. Kowloon F. C., thanks to the huge win registered by R. M. Ogden over P. Yvanovich, won by the comfortable margin of 20 shots over Reerele, though actually the Footballers lost on two rinks. Ogden beat his opponent by 31-5.

Four more matches in the Colony Rinks Championship were played last Sunday. Whilst the results on the whole were as expected the scores in most cases were too close to make it comfortable for the winners. Abe Abbas's rink (Jeff Hoosen, A. M. Runjahn and A. R. Dallah) had the easiest win to judge by the score of 21-16 against T. Pile's four.

U. M. Omar's rink (A. M. and K. M. Omar and B. W. Bradbury) had a very anxious time in their match against A. Hyde-Lay's rink R. P. Phillips, P. A. Peckham and J. S. Hanson) whom they eventually beat by the narrowest margin possible.

The score at the end of the game was 19-18.

A Police rink composed of W. McLeod, W. Harris, W. S. Dall and J. Shepherd advanced into the next round by the skin of their teeth, as it were, beating by just one shot a Civil Service rink consisting of P. Crawley, E. Kirman, S. Eccleshall and W. J. Burling.

As the result of a four scored by Burling on the 21st head, the scores were tied at 20 all thus necessitating an extra head. After burning a head in which Burling was lying two, Shepherd went on to score a single to win by 21-20.

PROGRAMME FOR SATURDAY

First Division: Indian R. C. v. Reerele "A", Bowling G. "B" v. Craigengower, Bowling G. "A" v. Kowloon C.C., Reerele "B" v. Police, Kowloon Docks v. Civil Service.

Second Division: Craigengower v. Reerele, Kowloon F.C. v. Hongkong C.C., Talkoo R.C. v. Kowloon F.C., Hongkong F.C. v. Prison Officers.

Third Division: Police v. Craigengower, Hongkong C.C. v. Kowloon B.G.C., H.K. Electric v. Kowloon F.C., Reerele v. Indian R.C.

LEAGUE TENNIS

South China Beat Kowloon Tong

S. C. A. A. beat Kowloon Tong G. C. A. in the Second Division of the Tennis League by 3-1, yesterday.

S. C. Dew and P. Szeto (S. C. A. A.) beat F. H. Kwok and P. Fletcher 7-5, lost to E. Lee and C. C. Ma 5-7, w.o. T. E. Ling and S. K. Yee.

K. H. Ip and W. H. Ho (S. C. A. A.) beat Kwok and Fletcher 6-3, beat Lee and Ma 6-2, w.o. Ling and Yee.

W. T. Lee and W. C. Hoh (S. C. A. A.) beat Kwok and Fletcher 6-3, beat Lee and Ma 6-1, w.o. Ling and Yee.

WU TE CHEN CUP

At the Chinese Y. M. C. A. yesterday the Wai Kwi team beat the Pink Ching in a League basketball game by 49 points to 39 while Lu Chang defeated Victoria Recreation Club 45-35.

ROUGH TIME

Though Kowloon B.G.C. leaders in the Third Division added four more points to their total they actually had a very rough time of it last Saturday and won by only four shots in a home match against the Hongkong Electric who are at the bottom of the League Table.

C. Wallis and H. Nish both won for the Kowloon B. G. C., the former beating J. F. Lunny by five shots and the latter having the better of A. F. Paul by eight, but

## SPORTING FIXTURES

TENNIS. — "A" Division: H.K.U. T.C. v. C.D.R. C.R.C. v. H.K. C.C. "B" Division: C.R.O. v. A.T.C. R.C.C. v. C.S.C.C. S.C.A.A. v. H.T.G.C.A.

TOMORROW  
BASEBALL. — U.S.S. Mindanao v. Chung Hwa, 5.15 p.m.  
TENNIS. — "A" Division: H.K.O.C. v. S.C.A.A., C.R.C. v. H.K.U.T.C., K.C.C. v. I.R.C. "C" Division: C.D.R. v. S.C.A.A., A.T.C. v. I.R.C., K.T.G.C.A. v. K.I.T.C., K.C.C. v. C.R.C. (2), C.R.C. (1) v. C.C.C.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 14  
TENNIS. — "D" Division: P.O.R.O. (1) v. C.B.A., J.R.C. v. I.R.C., S.C.A.A. v. C.R.C., C.C.C. v. P.O. R.C. (2).

SATURDAY, AUGUST 16  
LAWN BOWLS. — First Division: Indian R.C. v. Reerele "A", Kowloon B.G.C. "B" v. Craigengower, Kowloon B.G.C. "A" v. Kowloon C.C., Reerele "E" v. Police R.C., Kowloon Docks R.C. v. Civil Service. Second Division: Craigengower v. Reerele, Kowloon F.C. v. Hongkong C.C., Talkoo R.C. v. Kowloon Tong, Hongkong F.C. v. Prison O.C. Third Division: Police R.C. v. Craigengower, Hongkong C.C. v. Kowloon B.G.C., Hongkong Electric v. Kowloon F.C., Reerele v. Indian R.C.

## H K F.A. COUNCIL MEETING

The H.K.F.A. Council will hold a meeting at the Association's offices tomorrow at 5.30 p.m. and the agenda is as follows:—

Minutes of Council meeting No. 1; Minutes of Council Meeting No. 1; Minutes of Fixtures Sub Committee meetings Nos. 1 and 2; Accounts; To approve fixtures for season 1941/2; Any other business.

## Water Returns For July

The heavy downpours last month swelled the contents of reservoirs on the mainland and storage on July 1 showed an increase over the same period last year, the figures being 3,806.71 against 3,600.25.

Estimated population on the mainland was 633,000 compared with 770,000 on July 1, 1940, and consumption of water showed an increase, being 451.56 million gallons against 436.23 million gallons or 24.4 gallons per head per day, compared with 18.3 per head per day in July 1940.

A constant supply was maintained throughout the month both on the mainland and on the island.

On the island contents showed a decrease, the figures being 2,284.40 on July 1, 1941 compared with 2,359.20 on July 1, 1940.

Estimated population was 777,000 compared with 850,000 and consumption showed an increase, being 654.72 million gallons against 620.98 million gallons on July 1, 1940, or 27.2 gallons per head per day against 24.1 gallons per head per day.

## GREATER RESTRICTIONS

The following is culled from the annual report of the Director of Public Works for the year 1939:—

As the combined resources at the end of 1939, were only 25.4 million gallons per day and these with the new works now in hand and due for completion in 1941, will only provide a total of 27.5 million gallons per day, it is obvious that further resources should be provided not only to allow for a reserve over present restricted demand but to provide for present full supply and for probable further increases in consumption on full supply.

Although investigations are being made for extending the resources and Consulting Engineers have been engaged to report and prepare a scheme therefor, it is hardly likely that, owing to the time necessary for investigations, preparation of the scheme and construction of the works, the new resources will be available in less than five years time even if proceeded with immediately.

It is reasonable to assume that the demand for water will continue to increase. A period of greater and greater restrictions is therefore envisaged.

The report is signed by W. Woodward, B.Sc., M. Inst. C.E., Waterworks Engineer, and C. W. E. Bishop, B.Sc., M. Inst. C.E., M. Inst. W.E., Executive Engineer, Waterworks Construction Office.

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## CROWN LAND SALES

Three Times Upset Price Paid

While two lots, reserved for the building of residences only, attracted no bidders at the Crown Land sales, held at the offices of Public Works Department yesterday, another lot on which either residences or factories can be erected was sold for just over three times the upset price.

Mr. E. B. Lambert, F.R.G.S., Superintendent of Crown Lands, officiated at the sale.

The first lot, known as Kowloon Inland Lot No. 4314, situated west of K.I.L. No. 2552 at Chi Kiang St., Shek Shan, and having an area of approximately 4,720 square feet, was sold for \$2,832 to Miss Ho Lai-mei and Mrs. Ho Pun Lai-ching, for whom Mr. E. M. Hazeland appeared.

One of the Special Conditions attached to the sale was that "the lot shall not be used for industrial purposes and no factory may be erected thereon."

RAISED TO \$27,600

The upset price of \$9,000 for New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 2870, situated at the junction of Hing Wah Street and Shun Ning Street, Cheung Sha Wan, was raised to \$27,600 before it was "knocked down" to Mr. Chow Sui-pak acting on behalf of Mrs. Chan Suk-ying, Mrs. Li Shuet-ha and Mrs. Lam Yuet-shing of the Chow Ngai Hing Knitting Factory.

The building covenant for this lot, which has an area of 15,000 square feet, called for the expenditure of \$50,000 in the event of the erection of a factory and residential premises and \$85,000 if a factory and residential premises only, be erected.

When Sheung Shui Inland Lot

## B. W. O. F.

The following is that latest list of subscriptions received to date for credit of the B.W.O.F.:

Previously acknowledged, £115 and \$731,148.64.  
J. A. V. Hart Davis (Monthly) 10; Miss Grace Ezra (Monthly) 15; The Hongkong Students Relief Assn. 150; Some of the Chinese Staff of Messrs. Hoits. Wharf—June 43.03; L. E. N. Ryan (Monthly) 100; For employing amahs to knit garments for children of bombed areas Mrs. Minihnick 10; Mrs. E. Cook 10; Mrs. E. Raymond 5; Mrs. D'Almada 5; Mrs. A. Raymond 10; Mrs. N. L. Smith 5; "Result of a Poker Game" per Mrs. H. F. Phillips 11; "Sale of Needles" per Mrs. Moir 36; Quarry Bay Working Party 10.50; Totals, \$731,599.17 and £115.

## MR. C. A. BLUM

Mr. C. A. Blum, manager of the local branch of U.S. Rubber Manufacturing (Export) Ltd., left for San Francisco on Sunday, accompanied by Mrs. Blum and their son, on a well-earned holiday.

Mr. Blum has been connected with the U.S. Rubber Manufacturing for many years and was, prior to the present Sino-Japanese war, manager of the firm's Shanghai branch office.

No. 13, situated at Kam Tsin, was put up at \$235 it attracted no bidders with the result that this 60,800 square feet site was sold to the British-American Tobacco Co. Ltd., the original applicants, at the upset price.

Two of the Special Conditions attached to this sale were that "the purchaser will not be allowed to erect any buildings on the lot except residences of European type," and that "except with the consent of the Governor not more than two residences shall be erected on the lot."

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## QUESTION OF HARDSHIP

## Interesting Judgment In Claim For Possession

"It would be better if the gentleman, drawing \$10 to \$20 a month which the plaintiff admits is insufficient to maintain a wife, were to spend the money on himself instead of saddling his widowed mother with a wife and family. I, therefore, find there is no great hardship on the landlord for the tenant to remain in possession of the premises," said Mr. Justice P. E. F. Cressall when giving judgment for the defendant, with costs, in the Summary Court yesterday in the case in which Fung Leung-sai, widow, claimed for the possession of No. 190, Hennessy Road, second floor, occupied by the defendant, Ng Kar-sui.

Mr. F. E. Nash appeared for the plaintiff while the defendant appeared in person.

Mr. Nash said that the only question to be decided by his Lordship was that of hardship. The defence was that of sitting tenancy, said Mr. Nash.

The plaintiff was a widow with six sons and four daughters, went on Mr. Nash. She wanted the return of the premises for one of her sons who was contemplating marriage. The defendant occupied only a cubicle on the premises, the balance of the flat being sub-let by him.

## PLAINTIFF'S EVIDENCE

In evidence, plaintiff stated that she purchased the house in 1935, and that she occupied the second and third floors with her sons, two of whom were married, and four daughters.

The second floor was divided into one "tang" and two cubicles. The first cubicle was occupied by the four unmarried sons, and the rear one by one of the married sons and his wife. The second floor, went on plaintiff, was divided into three cubicles occupied by herself and an unmarried daughter, three unmarried daughters, and the other married son and his wife, respectively.

One of the unmarried sons, said plaintiff, was to be married soon and, in accordance with Chinese custom, would be staying with her

That was why she desired to have the return of the premises occupied by defendant.

His Lordship: In other words, your hardship is that you want your son to occupy a cubicle in your house?—Yes.

How old is he?—27.

Does he work?—Yes, at Kwong Sang Hong.

What is his salary?—He earns only \$10 to \$20 a month in addition to his food.

Do you expect a girl to be happily married on \$10 or \$20 a month?—No answer.

## VERY DIFFICULT

Do you think a girl whether she is a businessman's daughter or a coolie's daughter, can be happy on \$10 to \$20 a month? It is very difficult to live on \$10 to \$20 a month.

Defendant, giving evidence, stated that he had been occupying the premises for the past five or six years. He admitted, in reply to his Lordship, having sub-let part of the premises. Another part, he said, was occupied by a relative who seldom paid any rent. Ng claimed protection under the Prevention of Eviction Consolidation Ordinance, adding that it was exceedingly difficult to obtain alternative premises.

In reply to Mr. Nash, defendant stated that, although he had not looked for premises himself, he had asked several of his friends to find a flat for him.

## ROUND THE POLICE COURTS

## AT CENTRAL

## STOLE TARGETS

Lau Chuen, 28, boilermaker, appeared before Mr. H. G. Sheldon, K.C. yesterday, when he was charged with stealing four targets valued at \$34 from the target hut at the Talkoo Range, property of the Talkoo Rifle Club on Aug. 5.

Accused who had two previous convictions, was sentenced to six months' hard labour.

## STOLE FROM BABY!

Alleged to have stolen a jade bangle from the wrist of a two-year-old child while being carried on the back of its mother, at Fleming Road, Lam 'Chu, 17, unemployed, who had three previous convictions, was sentenced to six months' hard labour by Mr. Sheldon.

## REMANDED

Charged with demanding \$50 with menaces from Chan Sze, 58, building contractor, at No. 142, Queen's Road, East, first floor, Mok Kung cheong, 31, unemployed, was remanded 24 hours in Police custody by Mr. Sheldon.

## SNATCHER GAOLED

Appearing before Mr. Lowry on a charge of larceny of a wrist watch from Leung Pk-ha, 19, woman, of No. 303, Prince Edward Road, on Aug. 10 at Queen's Road Central, near Morrison Street, Chan Pui, 25, unemployed, was sentenced to six months' hard labour.

Sub-Insp. T. K. Whelan prosecuted.

Police Reservist No. 1530 arrested the accused.

Sub-Insp. T. K. Whelan prosecuted.

Police Constables C233, Chu Ping, 40, and C40, Li Hei, and Lance-Sergeant A61, Edwin McDermott, were remanded one week by Mr. Lowry yesterday, when they were charged with demanding \$100 with menaces from Lo Kiu, at No. 196, Queen's Road West, on Aug. 2, with intent to steal same.

Mr. M. A. da Silva and Mr. C. A. Sutherland, Russ are appearing for defendants, while Det. Sub-Insp. J. O'Donovan is for the prosecution.

## AT KOWLOON

## FIREWOOD PROFITEER

Yung Lam, 46, widow, firewood dealer of No. 52 Yu Chau Street, was charged before Mr. H. C. Macnamara for selling firewood at 40 cattles for \$2, which is above the Government fixed price, and was fined \$200, in default one month's hard labour.

## PICKPOCKET GAOLED

Kam Cheung, 34, was convicted by Mr. Macnamara when he was charged with picking the pocket of Mr. T. C. King, of the Central Trust Company.

He had several previous convictions and was sentenced to twelve months' hard labour.

## LARCENY BY SERVANT

Appearing before Mr. Macnamara on two counts of stealing \$25 and \$32.85, property of his employer, and on a third charge of obtaining \$29.10 by uttering false documents, Lam Nga-hok was remanded three days in order that he may make restitution.

## KEPT BROTHEL

Mrs. N. A. Gracie was convicted on the charge of keeping a brothel at No. 23, Lock Road, ground floor, by Mr. D. J. N. Anderson and fined \$150, or two months' hard labour.

Defendant denied the charge, saying that she had sub-let the rooms to the Chinese females.

Sub-Insp. C. Baysting prosecuted.

## LARCENY OF BLANKET

Chan So, 37, charged before Mr. Macnamara with larceny of a blanket from No. 22 Portland St., was sentenced to six months' hard labour.

Defendant had 14 previous convictions.

## CAUTIONED

Leung Yin, 21, was cautioned by Mr. Macnamara on a charge of exposing his body to the public in a nallah in Gascolgne Road near Chatham Road.

Sgt. Whitcroft said that the police had received many complaints from residents in that area.

## DEATH INQUIRY

An inquiry into the death of a three-year-old boy, Lai Moon, was held before Mr. Macnamara sitting as coroner.

Dr. K. H. Utley said that the cause of death was due to a foreign substance which he found in the stomach and which was later proved to be cyanide by the Government Chemist, Mr. V. C. Branson.

The mother of the child said that the cyanide was put on the working desk of her husband. She turned her back for a moment and when she looked around again she noticed that the cup had been moved and the child was ill.

A verdict of accidental death was recorded.

## D. O. SOUTH

## WILD TREE WOOD

Charged with unlawful possession of 305 cattles of old tree wood, valued at \$6.10, two elderly women, Wong Tai, 61, and Lau Wan, 50, were bound over on sums of \$25 against a repetition of the offence when they appeared yesterday before Mr. S. F. Balfour.

## STOLE RICE

Charged with the larceny of seven cattles and two tals of rice from the Kwong Yuen Sing Rice Shop, Chung Chun, 30 a vegetable gardener of Walchow, was bound over on a sum of \$50 when he appeared before Mr. Balfour.

## UNLICENSED HAWKERS

Lau Kiu, widow, was fined \$1 when she pleaded guilty before Mr. Balfour to the charge of hawking bean curd, without a licence, at Castle Peak Road, Tsun Wan, on Sunday.

Another unlicensed hawk, Law Ki, was also fined \$1 for selling hot drinks in the same street on Saturday.

## REMANDED

Chan Wing and Lai Yung were remanded 24 hours when they pleaded not guilty to the charge of unlawful possession of 18 cattles valued at 36 cents and 17 cattles valued at 34 cents, wild tree wood respectively, on Sunday.

Mr. Ho left the latter place in a taxi for Blake Pier.

Witness remembered that after his arrival at Blake Pier, there were a lot of people trying to hit him and a Police constable came and protected him. He was taken to the Central Police Station and there learned that a man had died.

Inspector L. H. Whant was present for the Police at the enquiry.

## EUROPEAN TESTIFIES

Mr. Kyril Moller, 22, of the China Altimotive Co., Pedder Building, and residing at No. 7, Lincoln Road, the European alleged to have been involved, testified that he could remember very little about the incident except that on the evening of July 9, he finished work at 8 p.m. and went to the Hongkong Hotel for some drinks and later to the Parisian Grill for dinner.

Witness left about 11.30 p.m. and returned to the Hongkong Hotel and then went to the Ritz at 1.30

## MODEL PLANE CONTEST

More than 100 entries have been received for the Model Airplane Contest and Exhibition which will be held here by the Hongkong Model Airplane Association, on Aug. 14, Chinese Air Force Day.

Enthusiastic support for the contest is evidenced by the fact that a large number of prizes have been contributed by local individuals, industrial, commercial and other organisations.

## BLAKE PIER INCIDENT: VERDICT AT INQUEST

A verdict of "Death from natural causes" was returned by a jury, comprising Messrs. G. W. Tate (Foreman), Fung Fu-sang and Richard Tong, at an enquiry held yesterday, before Mr. H. G. Sheldon, K.C., sitting as Coroner at the Central Magistracy, in connection with the death of WONG WAH, alias Chan Wah, 26, boat seaman, at Connaught Road outside Blake Pier.

Early on the morning of July 9, a European, who was alleged to have been under the influence of drink, had a struggle with Leung Shu-yau, at the landing of Blake Pier. Leung managed to free himself and ran from the pier onto the road. The European gave chase and police whistles were blown.

A detective, Lam Kau, arrived on the scene and saw deceased run from the pier to the road. He stopped deceased and turned his face away to see what the matter was all about, but on turning round, he saw deceased collapse. He died shortly after.

According to statements made by two young men who were witnesses of the incident, they alleged that the Chinese detective struck the deceased on the front part of the body with the butt of a revolver. The two men, however, were at present in Macao and, according to the Police, who had received two letters from them, they were not able to attend Court to give evidence.

CAUSE OF DEATH  
Dr. R. E. Alvarez, Medical Officer-in-Charge of the Victoria Public Mortuary, in evidence, stated that death was due to heart failure brought on by beri-beri.

A small superficial wound was present on the left side of the head and slight abrasions were seen on the left side of the back and right foot, but none of the wounds present caused death.

Mr. Sheldon: Were there any signs of deceased being struck with the muzzle of a gun?

Dr. Alvarez: No.

Wong Hing-fai, employee of the Moonraker Motorboat Co., at Blake Pier, stated that while on duty on July 9 at 2 a.m., he saw a European at the pier, and, thinking he might want to hire a boat, spoke to him, but the European did not

## REVENUE OFFICERS CHARGED

## SIX DEFENDANTS ACQUITTED

Further evidence was taken by Major A. N. Macfadyen, at the Central Magistracy yesterday, in the case in which Mo Kang, 51, a Senior Revenue Officer, Leung Ching, 23, Pau Chi-ying, 23, Lo Kan, 42, Ip Yuk, 26, and Ip Kwok-ming, 35, all Revenue Officers, Mo Yiu-keng, 29, draughtsman, Mo Kwan-pok, 21, draughtsman, Yu Yuk-lin, 21, married woman, Liu Wai, 31, shopmaster, Li Yeung, 42, shopmaster, and Li Lo-so, 20, woman, were charged with intimidation.

The complainant is Chu Pak-yuen, 29, merchant, of No. 109 Des Voeux Road, Central.

Mr. Alfred S. K. Lau, assisted by Det.-Sgt. W. Summers, prosecuted, while Mr. S. Ng Quinn appeared for eleventh defendant, and Mr. A. da Silva for the rest.

At yesterday's hearing, third fourth, fifth, sixth, tenth and twelfth defendants were discharged due to lack of evidence.

First defendant, cross-examined by Mr. Silva, stated that he was Senior Revenue Officer stationed at Kowloon since 1916 and promoted to his present rank only eight years ago.

## IMPORTANT MATTER

On April 8, he received a note from his nephew, eighth defendant, asking him for an interview as he had an important matter to discuss with him and it was so arranged that he should meet his nephew according to the note, either at Luk Hoi Tung Hotel or at his nephew's place at No. 109, Des Voeux Road. However, he did not go until the next day and when he called at the hotel his nephew was not there. He then proceeded to the other address, where he found his nephew together with eleventh and ninth defendants and the complainant, who was the principal tenant.

His nephew told him in the presence of complainant, that he had a dispute with the latter and therefore wished to leave the place, but complainant refused to let him go as he alleged that the nephew owed him \$50 gambling debts.

When asked by Mr. Silva if he had any intention, when he went there, to threaten complainant, witness replied in the negative.

The hearing was adjourned to Aug. 14.

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## CRIMINAL SESSIONS CALENDAR

## 26 PERSONS TO FACE TRIAL

Twenty-six persons will face trial at the Criminal Sessions, which commences on Monday in a calendar of 11 cases.

Murder—Wan Wing-ning.  
Unnatural Offence—Abdul Aziz.  
Demanding Money—Mok Wah, Pau Shui-chuen, and Li Kwan (also charged with extortion).

Robbery by two or more—So Tai, Shek Chi-fai, Li Chun, Li Leung-sang, Chui Kwan, Chan Luk and Li Yuen; Wong Chung-kwai, and Lam Suen (Wong also charged with wounding); Leung Ming alias Yeung Pak alias Yeung Man-fai and Wun Luen.

Attempted robbery—Chan Kam, Ho San and Lai Yau (Chan further charged with possession of ammunition).

Robbery—Cheung Kam-look, Chui Tak-shing, Chan Kam-fat and Li Chi-chuen.

House-breaking—Lo Wah.  
Receiving stolen property—Chui Wan-cheung alias Chui-kai (four counts); and Tsang Shun-cheung (also charged with offering a bribe).

## TAXI DRIVER ROBBED

Li Ping, driver of Yellow Taxi No. 141, reported to the Wanchai Police Station that he was robbed of \$4.50 by three Europeans shortly after midnight yesterday morning.

Li said that the foreigners boarded his taxi about 10 o'clock and ordered him to go to Stanley.

After reaching Repulse Bay Hotel, he was told to drive back to town, via Shaokwan. When nearing Wang Fung Terrace, in Causeway Bay Road (it was then about 1 a.m.) the Europeans, it was alleged, ordered him to stop.

One of them held him tightly and the other two bound him up, searched him and took away the money.

After this, the passengers drove the car to Broadwood Road where they escaped. His kicking on the door of the car aroused the attention of a passer-by who freed him.

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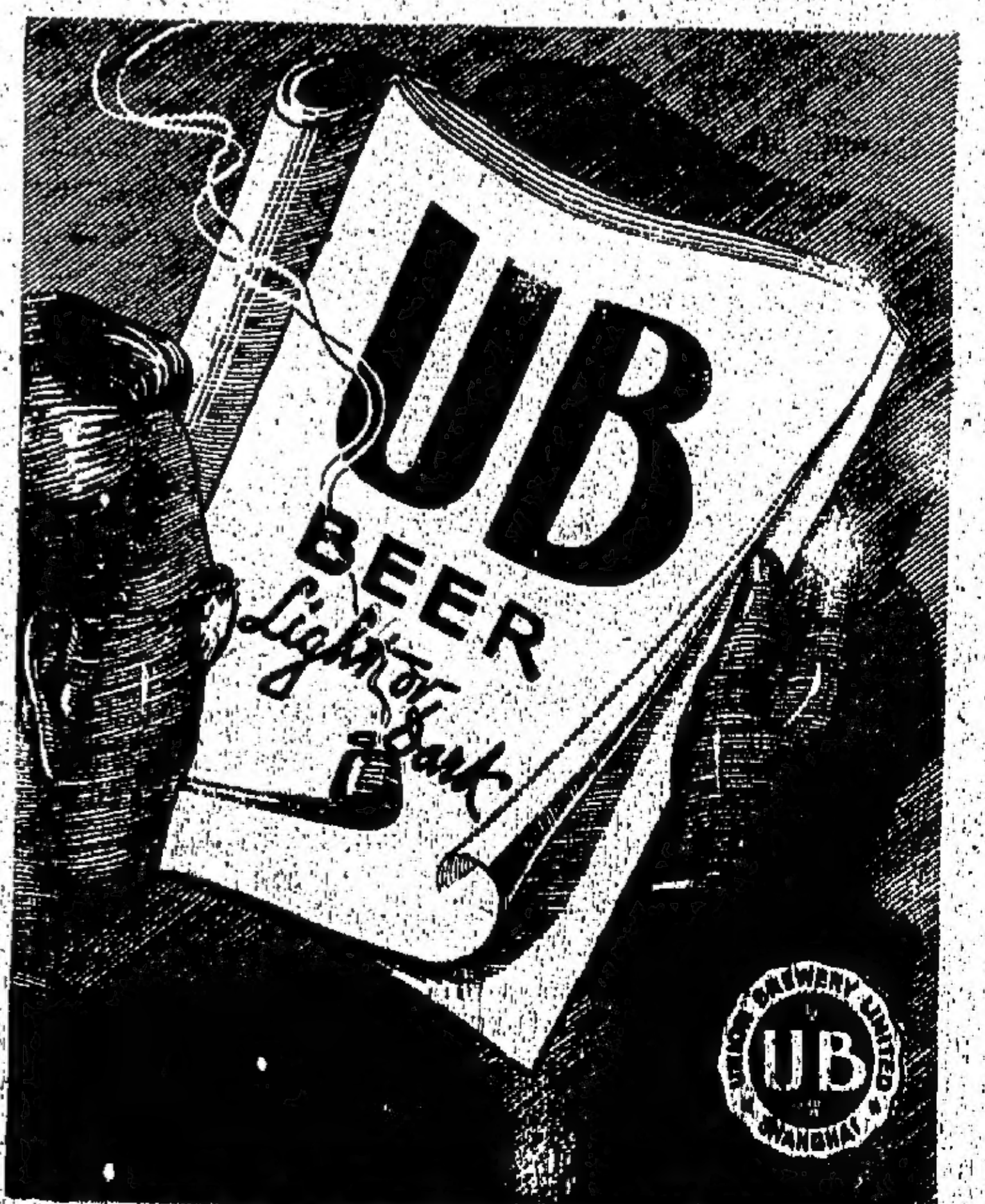
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The Register of Shares of the Company will be closed from SATURDAY, 16th AUGUST, 1941, to MONDAY, 25th AUGUST, 1941, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
C. M. MANNERS,  
Secretary & Manager.  
Hong Kong, 11th August, 1941.

## THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an Interim Dividend of \$.60 per share has been declared in respect of the half year ended 30th June, 1941, on 900,000 OLD SHARES and will be payable on and after Thursday, 11th September 1941. Dividend Warrants may be obtained on application at the Company's Registered Office, P. & O. Building.

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## TUG-OF-WAR AT VICHY

WHILE the tension in the Far East continued to smoulder dangerously over the week-end, the significance of the political developments which are taking place in Vichy has not escaped world attention. Like a snarling beast of prey driven to bay, Herr Hitler is now looking east, west, north and south for some avenue of escape from the disaster that is threatening him. In this mood the Nazi fanatic is, perhaps, most dangerous as he will be prepared to take any risk and adopt the most ruthless methods to gain his ends—and it is in such a mood, too, that he is likely to make bigger blunders than he has already committed. Once again, therefore, Vichy has become his objective. The "collaboration" he has so far been able to get from the Vichy Government has proved unsatisfying and insufficient for his growing needs and the pressure on that puppet body has grown more menacing than ever. No longer is there any attempt to soft-peddle his will on Marshal Petain's Government. The threat is clear—"Come in completely on the German side—or else—".

IN VICHY itself a tug-of-war is taking place on this vital issue for the future of France. Admiral Darlan, in order to retrieve his near fall from grace in German eyes, is the strongest proponent of a whole-hog policy in favour of the Nazis. He is supported by M. Bonnet and a few others. General Weygand is the only stout opponent to such a wholesale sell-out to the Germans, while the old Marshal wavers in his weakness. The decision which will ultimately be taken cannot but have serious repercussions. If Vichy consents to the German demands for concessions in the whole French Colonial Empire, with, perhaps, the handing over of the French Fleet, it will definitely debar them from any sympathy from Britain and the United States. The men of Vichy and Herr Hitler should also not forget that the people of France—the men and women who are praying for liberation from the Nazi yoke—may still have something to say about it and that they may say it in terms and in a manner that might frustrate the very advantages that the Nazis hope to secure.

## FOR JAPAN TO DECIDE

WHILE Herr Hitler is seeking to create these diversions in the West to compensate for his growing list of blunders, he has not ceased encouraging the Japanese to carry out their own aspirations and ambitions in the Pacific. The Nazi Fifth Column in Japan has seen to it that the picture of huge advantages accruing to Japan if she pursues this policy of expansion has been enlarged and magnified to dazzle the deluded militarists in that country. Blind to the consequences of their folly, the Japanese have responded to

## BURMA'S AIR STRENGTH GREATLY REINFORCED

The Royal Air Force in Burma has now been strengthened by the arrival of American-built Brewster Buffalo multi-gun fighters, it is officially announced. Burma, therefore, is now equipped for both offensive and defensive air action.

During the past few months thousands of men and women from the mountains of the Shan States have been constructing out of the jungle a chain of aerodromes midway between the coast and the frontiers of China and Thailand.

They stretch from Lashio to Mergul. The last of these aerodromes has now been completed. All of them are equipped with all-weather runways suitable for the take-off of heavy bombers fully loaded. Plant for the maintenance and repair of aircraft has been provided, while pilots and ground crews live in comfortable quarters.

Fuel, bombs and ammunition have been stored to meet all possible needs. These aerodromes have been so located that they will provide the maximum protection for Burma against air and land attack from any quarter and at the same time give the R.A.F. advance bases from which to hit back with bomber squadrons.

They also give greater mobility to the Air Force based in the Far East. The Commander-in-Chief, Air Chief Marshal Sir Robert Brooke-Popham, in the event of active war spreading to Malaya will be in a position if he wishes to move squadrons to Burma in a few hours and so have his forces where they will serve the best advantage.

## SPEEDILY FORMED

Buffalo fighters have been arriving across the Pacific from the

United States in increasing numbers during the past few months, thus enabling fighter squadrons to be speedily formed. The pilots speak highly of their potential fighting powers.

One fighter pilot who fought in a famous Spitfire squadron throughout the Battle of Britain, says:

"The Buffalo has amazing qualities of manoeuvrability—a very great asset in any fighter. Combined with its high speed, fast rate of climb and multiple large-calibre machine guns, it is an aircraft to be feared by any unfortunate pilot who has the ill-luck to find himself in front of these guns when the Buffalo pilot presses the firing button."

The other pilots, who have come from Spitfire and Hurricane squadrons in England to form the nucleus of the Far East fighter squadrons, share this view.

In a Singapore broadcast last night Lt. Comm. Proud said that the system of Burma's defence were so carefully planned that the country would be a very difficult nut for any aggressor to crack. The authorities have concentrated on selective troops suited to the type of warfare and these were being constantly augmented by more troops.

## MACAO MERCHANT MURDERED

Ho Sap, well-known transportation merchant in Macao, was assassinated by three Chinese gunmen in front of his house in Macao at 8 o'clock on Sunday morning, according to a Chinese report.

Aroused by commotion in the street, his servants rushed out, and, on finding Ho seriously wounded, took him into the house. He succumbed later.

The police have arrested three suspects.

Nazi behests under the illusion also that they are certain to do well for themselves by indulging in act after act of aggression and at the same time pretending that such steps are being taken to help their Axis partners. The ease with which Indo-China fell into their lap has evidently emboldened them to a reckless desire for more conquests and the sabre is being now rattled in the face of Thailand.

AS EVENTS have turned out, however, Japan now knows that the conquest of Thailand is not going to be another bloodless victory. Whether Thailand resists or not is immaterial at the moment, for Britain has warned the Japanese that any attempt to encroach on Thailand's integrity and independence will be opposed by Britain even at the risk of plunging the Pacific into war. This is no empty threat. Britain means business this time and the only regret is that she was not able to adopt the same stand earlier. The British attitude to resist any Japanese invasion of Thailand is supported by the United States and China. It is now up to Japan to decide whether she should call a halt to her aggression plans or engage in a conflict with the Democratic A B C D front. There is still no indication that the Japanese may favour the former alternative. It may be that her war-blinded militarists feel they cannot withdraw now for reasons of prestige. Prestige will, however, count but little when the future of the nation is considered in the clear perspective of the present position.

## SUMMARY COURT

## JUDGMENT GIVEN FOR PLAINTIFF

Judgment for plaintiff, with costs, was given by Mr. Justice P. E. F. Cressall in the Summary Court yesterday in the case in which Ip Yan-yuen alias Ip Chok Man Tong, spinster, of No. 303, Lanchikok Road, first floor, claimed from Ng Yung possession of the above-named premises and mesne profits at the rate of \$30 per month from June 20 to date of possession.

Mr. C. A. Sutherland Russ appeared for the plaintiff, while the defendant appeared in person.

The facts of the case, as related by Mr. Russ, were that a man by the name of Wong Yau was a tenant of plaintiff's premises at No. 303, Lanchikok Road, first floor, since 1937.

Wong Yau did not pay his rent of \$30 per month and, in June 1941, he was owing two months' rent. A distress warrant was taken out against him but this was paid. Wong Yau, however, abandoned the tenancy and had not been seen since.

## NOTICE SERVED

At the end of June, the agent of plaintiff went to take over possession of premises and found defendant, who was unknown to both plaintiff and the agent, there. Notice to quit was served on her on July 3, which notice she ignored.

Defendant stated that she was a joint principal tenant with Wong Yau but could not produce any rent receipts made out in her name, or in their joint names.

## CORRESPONDENCE

## DETERIORATION OF RICE SITUATION

The Editor, H.K. Daily Press

Sir—Since the appearance of the so-called "special" or "tsin tang" grade of rice on the market, what is described as "A" grade rice has been adulterated by the addition of a small quantity of broken rice.

If this practice is allowed to develop, it won't be long before the farce of grading will have to find a new grade, named such as "extra special," "super-fine," "extra super-fine," etc., until grade "A" will in reality be grade "D".

Has the Rice Monopoly the courage to tell the public that the price of rice has further advanced instead of resorting to this creation of new grades?

By the way, the "special grade" rice is sold at \$20 per picul—nearly \$3 more than the price of grade "A". Thus, by the magic of a new grade name, the price of rice has been raised 18 per cent.

Yours, etc.

A CONSUMER.

## Two Weddings At Registry

The following marriages took place at the Registry, Supreme Court, before Mr. J. Reynolds, Registrar of Marriages, yesterday:

Mr. Ng Fan-mee, merchant, residing at No. 379, Queen's Road, Central, and Miss Ma Kam-yin of No. 182, Queen's Road West.

Mr. Chen Kwok-kuen, teacher of the Chung Wah Middle School, and Miss Lau York-ching also teaching in the same school.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

The following forthcoming marriages were announced yesterday: Mr. Lau Yuk-tin, merchant, of No. 21, Fuk Lo Tsun Road, Kowloon City, and Miss Lily Lee of the same address.

Mr. George Allister Souza, clerk, of No. 33A, Wong-nel-chong Road, and Miss Irene Emily Pereira, of No. 130, Austin Road.

Mr. Alexander William Summers, merchant, residing at Ngau-chi-wan, and Miss Marcelle Vener of the French Convent Hostel.

Mr. Ip Ching-san, architect, residing at No. 42, Jordan Road, and Miss Lam Siu of the same address.

Mr. Wan Hing, Chinese Sapper of 40th Coy., R.E., residing at No. 40, Takuling Road, Kowloon City, and Miss Cheung Yuk-fung of the same address.

Mr. Low Bor, merchant, residing at No. 121, Cheung-sha-wan Road, and Miss Fong Mee-kwan of No. 16, Nga-tsin-long Road, Kowloon City.

Mr. Francis Marion Smith, clerk, of No. 17, Homuntin Street, and Miss Cynthia d'Almada Remedios of No. 5, Belfran Road, Kowloon Tong.

Mr. Wong Yuen-chong, of No. 227, Wing Lok Street, and Miss Quan Pul-har of No. 11, Hing Hon Road.

## FORCED MARRIAGE ALLEGATION

A girl, Leung Shuet-ying, 25, attempted to take her life by swallowing Jeyes fluid at her residence in Shek Kip Mi Road, Shamshui, at 7 a.m. yesterday.

It was alleged that the girl was forced by her step-mother to marry a man, very much older than herself, and as her resistance was in vain, she had decided to commit suicide.

She was removed to hospital and her condition was said to be not serious.

## Y.M.C.A. PLAY READING

The European Y.M.C.A. Amateur Dramatic Club held a play reading in the West Lounge Theatre last night in preparation for casting of their first production of the new season, the Emlyn Williams' translation from the French play, "The Late Christopher Bean."

Mr. Cecil Houghton, who is producing, took the chair, and among those taking part in the reading were Leonard Starbuck, Winifred Dalziel, Winnie Cox, Day Sage, David Ingleby, David Kossick, Willie Robertson, Freddie Clemo and other Y.M.C.A. players.

## Chinese Co-operatives For Singapore

(TRIBUNE STAFF REPORTER)

Negotiations are afoot between the technical adviser to the Chinese Industrial Co-operatives, Mr. Kewi Alley, and the Colonial Secretary, in connexion with the establishment in Singapore of a branch of the co-operatives, it is learnt.

The authorities, the Tribune is reliably informed, have agreed on principle to the inauguration of a branch. No further details are available yet.

Mr. Alley arrived in Singapore last week from Hongkong, and in an interview given to Central News, revealed that the China Relief Fund Commission might start an office in Singapore.

Primarily, it is stated, he is on his way to Rangoon to arrange the transportation of a number of American-made trucks from Lashio to Chungking over the Burma Road, and also to inspect the Co-operatives' work in Yunnan.

According to Mr. Alley, many Singapore people, including the Governor Sir Shenton Thomas, have shown keen interest in the development of the Chinese Industrial Co-operatives, although in view of foreign exchange restrictions and insufficient organisation, the Singapore Chinese have not as yet given any financial help to the Indusco movement.

## SUBSIDIES BY GOVERNMENT NECESSARY TO KEEP PRICES DOWN, SAYS ECONOMIST

SUBSIDIES BY THE GOVERNMENT TO KEEP PRICES DOWN and to bridge the gap between the two functions of control—the encouragement of production and the encouragement of buying—were advocated by MR. DONALD TYERMANN, the well-known economist, when he broadcast from London yesterday and discussed price control from the point of view of its being an essential part of wartime distribution.

"It is not any coincidence that both the British and United States Governments should have turned their attention to this question of price control," began Mr. Tyermann. "In this country we have already had a White Paper on this question and in the United States there has been a message to Congress on the same subject."

## SAME PROCESS

"The last time I spoke to you I said that the great difficulty was rationing. I said then that rationing and price control go together. They are part of the same process of making the best use of available resources."

"It is not just that the prices of rationed goods have to be kept down. It is greater than that—it means that the economic life of the country is ruled by prices. I mean that the decisions as to what should be produced, and how much of it, depends in peace time on the prices that things will fetch. Prices decide and prices are determined by demand and by what people are prepared to pay. There will be remunerative prices for this, but not for that."

"In wartime, the working of this price mechanism is suspended to a great extent. Certain things have to be produced, market or no market, such as aeroplanes, tanks, guns and ammunition. The only buyer is the Government and it decides the programme itself and fixes the prices not only of aeroplanes, but of all the material components that go into its making, in order to ensure sufficient supplies of aeroplanes and to give the producers, distributors and manufacturers a reasonable remuneration. In other words the

price is low enough for almost everybody to buy, but the goods are enough for a very few and who gets these goods is decided by chance—first come, first served."

"These are the sort of things that have to be accounted and changed. We have prices of goods here that have been extended to fixed prices and this affects not only retail prices, but wholesale merchants as well."

DISTRIBUTION PROBLEM

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"That is plain enough, but it is another matter entirely to keep prices down. Prices have got to be remunerative, so the Government has to give subsidies to keep these prices down—subsidies of millions of pounds to bridge the gap between two functions of control—first to encourage production and second, to encourage buying," concluded Mr. Tyermann.

MADE FEASIBLE

It is believed that by the establishment of the branch in Singapore, purchase of war materials from the money of local Chinese through the movement will be made feasible.

Mr. Alley has been connected with the Indusco ever since the movement was launched on the suggestion and with the support of the British Ambassador to China, Sir Archibald Clark Kerr, and Madame Chiang Kai-shek in 1938.

In the past three years or so, Mr. Alley has been busy organising new units in Kiangsi, Chekiang, Fukien, Kwangtung and other provinces. Before his present work he was connected with the Shanghai Municipality Council.

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## PRICE CONTROL

Mr. Tyermann said that it was the same thing where food was concerned. In peace time it was the price level that decided what the farmer should grow and what the merchants should import.

"In wartime you get controlled prices," went on Mr. Tyermann, "not only to make it possible for people to get food, but to make it remunerative for the sellers, shippers, etc."

"That is all very straight-forward. In wartime you have price-fixing instead of free price movements. The Government has to do the job and make decisions that in peace-time are done and made by the shifting up and down of prices by what is called the interplay of supply and demand."

"But things are scarce. Some are not enough to go round in sufficient quantities. If this happens in wartime, then people with the most money would get most of the goods, which is not fair. So you have to keep prices down."

## FIRST COME

"That leads to what the Ministry of Food called the 'disappearing trick'. This has led people to ask, with understandable exasperation, why it is that as soon as the price of a commodity is controlled, it disappears from the shop."

"It is unnecessary to say that controlled prices does not increase supplies. It merely brings the commodity within control. For example, few people can afford to buy tomatoes at 5/6 per lb. If the supply is increased, the demand grows and the share-out is smaller."

"What happens is this. The price is low enough for almost everybody to buy, but the goods are enough for a very few and who gets these goods is decided by chance—first come, first served."

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## NEWSETTES

Office of the supervisor of the Burma Railway will shortly be established in Kunming with seven departments, according to the Chinese Press.

A scavenger found on Sunday morning in Rue Wangt in the French Concession, Shanghai, an abandoned wooden box in which were 500 rounds of rifle ammunition. It was taken to the Police station.

Mr. D. W. Munton will address the Hongkong Rotary Club today on "Wanderings of an Engineer." At the following meeting of the Club, on Tuesday, Aug. 10, Mr. J. P. Pennefather-Evans, Commissioner of Police, will speak on "A Policeman Looks at Chungking."

## NO SIGN OF ANY IMMEDIATE AGGRAVATION IN THE FAR EAST

Barring an announcement by Thailand of a desperate death-glory resolve to defend against aggression, there has been no sign of any immediate aggravation in the Far Eastern situation, according to Reuters from Singapore.

Nevertheless, MR. A. DUFF-COOPER'S remark in New York, that the British Government is expecting great developments in the Far East to come at a time when signs are again appearing after a fortnight's lull, was a proverbial one before the storm.

One usually unerring indication of this is the influx of those "Mother Carey's chickens," foreign correspondents, mostly American, who migrated from Singapore some time ago, a number of which has suddenly arrived and more are expected.

In a typical forthright manner, one American correspondent asked Lieut-General A. E. Percival, G.O.C. Malaya, in a general Press interview, whether Gen. Percival felt that Malaya could be defend-

ed without American co-operation, to which the G.O.C. replied tactfully:

"That is rather a big question, but I would put it this way that I think it is of the utmost importance at present that Britain and America should be in step in any action they take in the Far East, politically and otherwise.

"Undoubtedly the attitude of America has tremendous importance on Japan's policy."

## FAR EASTERN CRISIS IS FEATURED IN BROADCAST

WASHINGTON, Aug. 11 (Central).—Two special nation-wide radio broadcasts yesterday featured the Far Eastern crisis and the United States' policy towards Japan, indicating increasing concern over the Thailand development.

The University of Chicago Round Table Discussion originating from New York's discussion entitled "Japan: the Setting Sun" featured Mr. Tyler Dennet, former advisor to the State Department, Dr. H. F. MacNair, Chicago Professor of Far Eastern History, Mr. Nathaniel Pfeffer, Professor of International Relations at Columbia University.

The commentators unanimously agreed that Britain and America should attack from the flank if Japan invaded Thailand. All urged the United States to take immediate steps and to compel Japan to recede from the South Pacific, adding that the only way to establish peace in the Far East is by war.

The United States' policy towards Japan was discussed in Washington by Mr. Paul McNutt, Mr. Hamilton Fish, Mr. Maury Meverick of the "Fight for Freedom Committee," and Mr. John Vorys, Ohio Congressman.

The speakers favoured strong and firm policy against Japan, recognising that the United States' vital physical and economic security is threatened by Japan's

southward penetration.

### IF SHE CAN

Mr. Vorys opined that Japan will take the Philippines if she can, declaring "the Japanese Government be slapped down."

Urging that the United States should "smack Japan now," Mr. Vorys favoured outright declaration of war. He believes that the United States is powerful enough to stop Japan without fighting.

Mr. Hamilton Fish declared that he hasn't love for Japan raiding due to ruthless warfare in China and that Japan has few friends in the United States. He urged more aid to China, emphasising that China's fight has given the United States opportunity to rearm and resist aggression.

## American Journalist Tells "Schickelgruber" That The British Is. Is Unassailable

LONDON, Aug. 11 (British Wireless).—QUENTIN REYNOLDS, American Journalist whose recent broadcast to Dr. Joseph Goebbels from London was widely quoted abroad, last night spoke to Herr Hitler in the same vein.

Reynolds throughout addressed Hitler as Schickelgruber—the Fuehrer's original family name. After saying that it might be wise to change back to the name of Schickelgruber because "no one can really be angry at anyone named Schickelgruber and so many are really angry at the name Hitler," Reynolds made a telling indictment of the "Mein Kampf."

He said: "I find one paragraph in it very interesting. It is your estimate of the value of propaganda. Your actual words are 'by propaganda, with clever and permanent application, even heaven can be palmed off on the people as hell, and, the other way round, the most wretched life as paradise'.

"I wonder if you believe that now. Let us consider the propaganda you send outside Germany. Honestly, it doesn't fool anyone now. It fooled Britain and my country for years. It fooled Belgium, Holland, Czechoslovakia and Norway. It didn't fool Russia though, did it?"

### FACT WITH RUSSIA

"When you made that pact with Russia in 1939 you declared joyously to the Reichstag 'Russia and Germany fought against one another in the war. That shall not and will not happen again.' Then on Dec. 10, 1940, in a broadcast, you paid high tribute to the people of Russia and you declared: 'In a terrible struggle the Russian people rose and freed themselves from the clique of power-thirsty magnates of finance, trade, raw materials and industry.'"

"But the Russians remembered what you had said years before on page 538 of 'Mein Kampf'—the present rulers of Russia are bloodstained criminals, dregs of humanity." The Silent Man in the Kremlin said nothing but he remembered and prepared. On page 539 you said: 'Bolshevism is an infamous crime against humanity.' The Silent Man in the Kremlin said nothing but ordered more airplanes and more tanks.

UNAVAILING PROPAGANDA "No, your propaganda doesn't fool people any more, Mr. Schickelgruber. Every trick your little gabby man has tried to work in France has failed. You will recall that on June 15 last, in an effort to popularise the once respected but now despised Admiral Darian he ordered every shop in France to display the Admiral's picture. He also ordered every newspaper in both occupied and unoccupied France to print the likeness of Darian on the first page. The order was obeyed.

### BRITAIN UNASSAILABLE

"Do you think then that Wellington slumbers in his grave or that Allenby sleeps? Old soldiers never lie, Mr. Schickelgruber. Do you notice that thousands of naval officers wear their caps at a jaunty angle half covering one eye? You know then that Admiral Beatty still lives! It is dangerous to awaken the dead!"

"They live again in the hearts of men and they know that they died not in vain. They know this island is as unassailable as truth."

"These gallant ghosts of the past know they will be joined soon by thousands of their countrymen and women who are alive tonight. But who in this island fears death if he may then walk with Drake and Nelson and Beatty and the other immortals?"

"It is dangerous to awaken the dead!"

## ARREST OF MR. TITLEBAUM

SHANGHAI, Aug. 11 (Reuters).—Breaking the official silence on the matter, Mr. Leighton Shields, the United States District Attorney, this morning issued a Press release on the detention of Mr. Sam Titlebaum, United States Deputy Marshal, who had been held in the Ward Road Jail since Saturday on "two counts of embezzling property of the United States of which he is custodian."

There is no indication when the trial will take place owing to the absence of Judge Milton Helmick who is in the United States on holiday.

Meanwhile, Mr. Titlebaum has been unable to produce bail set by the authorities at U.S.\$5,000.

In the release, Mr. Shields described the manner of Mr. Titlebaum's arrest but at the same time refused to reveal any other details regarding the investigations in the case because "it may flush at the geese who apparently took part in Mr. Titlebaum's various activities."

## WOUNDED IN HEAD

A man, Wong Chung, was attacked by an unknown person when he was walking in Pitt Street on Sunday night, and was seriously wounded in the head. He was taken to hospital.

## ARMY TRAINING IN U.S.

LONDON, Aug. 9.—A final vote by the Lower House on the Bill extending the period of army training for 30 months in all, which was approved by the Senate on Aug. 7, is expected on Monday or Tuesday.

House leaders feel that the Bill is in graver danger than any major administrative measure since the outbreak of war.

## NO INCREASE IN QUOTA OF CHINESE IMMIGRANTS TO SINGAPORE ALLOWED

SINGAPORE, Aug. 11 (Central).—There will be no increase in the quota of immigrants from China to Malaya, it is officially stated in Singapore.

Recently, the Chinese Chamber of Commerce here requested the Government to increase fourfold the existing quota of 500 each for males and females in view of the demand for labour for war-time production.

The Colonial Secretary replied that the request had been considered by the Government but could not be approved.

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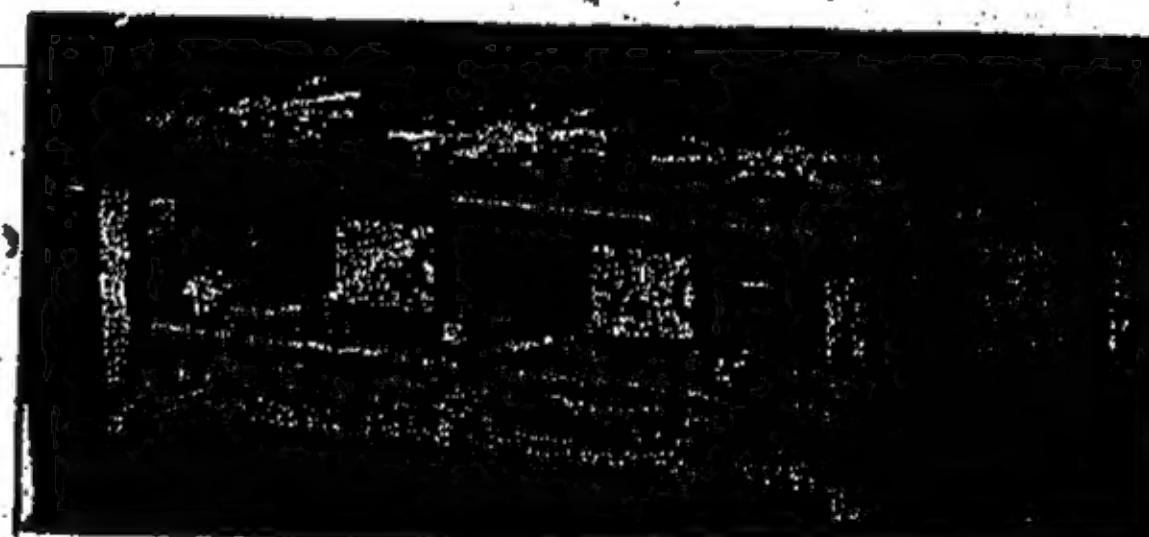
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[HARDWARE DEPT.]

## CHINA EMPORIUM

## NO MEAT IN SEVERAL NORWEGIAN DISTRICTS SINCE LAST AUTUMN

LONDON, Aug. 11 (BWS).—The worsening of the food situation has led to riots in several Norwegian districts according to messages reaching Oslo and quoted in London.

In several districts, there has been no meat at all since last autumn.

Potatoes are lacking in some places and even in the coastal districts, fish cannot be bought.

Further reports reaching London show another side to the tribulation that Norway continues increasingly to suffer under Nazi "protection."

The Germans, it is stated, are taking hostages among the Norwegians whose sons are fighting outside Norway.

Fishermen and farmers in the West whose sons have fled to join the Free Norwegians have been taken to prisons or concentration camps.

SONS LEAVE HOME In many cases, the sons had left home without the knowledge of their parents who know even septagenarians are among the victims of this new form of intimidation.

No Norwegian paper, it is said, has ever had so wide circulation.

## SURVIVORS OF TORPEDOED FREIGHTER

Chinese Carpenter Among Sixteen

ROSARIO, Argentina, Aug. 11 (Reuters).—Sixteen survivors of the British freighter "SAINT ANSELME" which was torpedoed and sunk by a German U-boat off the African coast, 500 miles south of the Canary Islands, have arrived here aboard the Spanish steamer TOM.

They were picked up in a state of complete exhaustion on July 17 after 18 days in an open boat.

Another boat with the freighter's British captain, five officers and 10 members of the native Indian crew, is missing.

The Saint Anselme was hit by two torpedoes.

The survivors are First Officer MacCurdy, Henry Burdett, George Elliott, Thomas Robson, Jack Harris, Valentine White, Alfred Watson, a Chinese carpenter and eight native Indians of the Can- gatta crew.

## PRESSURE ON TURKEY

Nazis Told Time Unpropitious

ANKARA, Aug. 11 (Reuters).—Five German commercial experts, who arrived at Istanbul recently, received a telegram yesterday instructing them to go to Bucharest as the time was unpropitious for putting pressure on Turkey to conclude an agreement, and negotiations can be resumed when "the Russian situation was clearer." It is feared by business circles in Istanbul.

The experts arrived with the instructions to negotiate for, firstly, a clearing agreement for 100,000,000 Turkish pounds each way, secondly, the continuation of the private barter trade between German and Turkish organisation, and thirdly, technical work such as construction of bridges.

## METAL SHORTAGE IN FRANCE

ZURICH, Aug. 11 (Reuters).—The Franco-German industrial collaboration is hampered by the shortage of metals in France.

The Swiss Telegraph Agency reports that Vichy France has stocks of brass, copper, lead, tin, bronze and zinc to last a few weeks.

The Vichy Government is about to organise a big-scale collection of all indispensable objects of these metals.

## RUSSIA WAR

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which the Red Air Force appears to have large numbers.

Another interesting feature of this raid is that the Russian news service did not make large claims. Indeed, the first information came from Berlin itself. Moscow's reluctance has in this case undoubtedly proved its worth.

### ONLY ONE-TENTH

LONDON, Aug. 9.—THE TIMES, writing on the German frontiers, says:

At the end of the seventh week of war, the territory occupied by the Germans is only one-tenth of Europe Russia, and only one-fourth of Russia. Proper, while so far not one of the main objectives has been occupied.

## ENEMY PLANES OFF EAST COAST

LONDON, Aug. 11 (BWS).—An official communique states:—"A small number of enemy aircraft last night flew off the East coast of England and Scotland. Only one penetrated any distance inland. Bombs which were dropped at a point in Scotland caused neither damage nor casualties."

## Defence Production Throughout America Picking Up—Knudsen

LONDON, Aug. 9.—Mr. W. S. Knudsen, U.S. Director-General of Defence, said yesterday, during a trip to the Vie Wright Aeronautical Factory, Paterson, New Jersey, that the defence production throughout the nation was picking up and that 50 per cent. of the maximum schedule would probably be ready by January when the rate of machine tool output would be \$1,000,000,000 annually, as against \$200,000,000 at present, \$200,000,000 in 1939 and an average of \$130,000,000 in the preceding three years.

He said that the Wright plant had increased its output from 875,000 horse-power per month last October to 1,750,000 horse-power today.

Mr. Knudsen also visited the plant of the Brewster Aeronautical Corporation and watched test flights of the new Brewster Bermuda which carries a 1,000-lb. bomb entirely enclosed in its fuselage, is capable of flying non-stop from New York to Los Angeles, and is said to be 100 m.p.h. faster than the Stuka.

Rear-Admiral Towers, who accompanied Mr. Knudsen, stated that the newest Grumman fighter adopted as the standard equipment by the American Navy could fire twice as much lead per second into an enemy plane as the British Spitfire.

### SPERRY BOMB-SIGHT

LONDON, Aug. 9.—Picked crews who are operating American fortress bombers praise the machine's flying qualities and its freedom from vices.

Bomb-almers commend the accuracy of the Sperry bomb-sight. Results have already shown that bombing from 30,000 feet can be done with reasonable accuracy under suitable conditions.

There is keen competition throughout the Bomber Command to join the Fortress Squadron.

### RECENT TOUR

LONDON, Aug. 9.—Mr. Merrill

# BROAD GERMAN PLAN TO GAIN BASES FOR AIR, SEA WAR ON ATLANTIC SHIPPING

## Washington Is Closely Watching Reaction Of Vichy To The Demands

NEW YORK, Aug. 11 (REUTERS)—THE MEETINGS OF VICHY LEADERS WHO ARE BELIEVED TO BE DISCUSSING GERMAN DEMANDS tantamount to according Germany full use of strategic Atlantic bases on the French African coast are being closely watched in Washington, according to reports received here.

In the event of Vichy agreeing to such German demands, it is reported, the United States is likely to break off diplomatic relations with Vichy at once.

The whole question of Western Hemisphere interests in French possessions is the subject of intensive study in the light of the latest developments in Vichy.

President Roosevelt, it is understood, as well as officials in Washington is giving the subject his close attention. The problem is also believed to be under active discussion with the British authorities.

The present German demands on Vichy are believed in Washington to be only part of a broad Nazi plan to gain new strategic bases for intensified air and submarine warfare against shipping in the Atlantic during the winter.

### VICHY DISCREET

VICHY, Aug. 11 (Reuters)—The tense atmosphere which surrounded Marshal Petain's talks with Admiral Darlan and General Weygand on Saturday eased considerably yesterday, says the Vichy news agency.

The talks between the principal Ministers prior to today's Cabinet

## Philippines Unperturbed By Far East Crisis

MANILA, Aug. 11 (Reuters)—In contrast to other areas in the southern Pacific, the Philippines are, on the surface, unperturbed by the Far Eastern crisis, although the gravity of the situation is universally recognized.

The civil and military authorities are very active. The former is organizing civilian protection in all its phases and is laying emphasis on the necessity for conserving food and educating the people to accept unaccustomed restrictions, such as black-outs and evacuations.

The civil authorities are receiving the general co-operation of the whole nation.

**MILITARY MEASURES**  
Military measures, being dependent on United States policy, are little allowed to be revealed. Military and naval circles are very secretive but one or two measures have been officially announced.

Regular troops of the Philippine Army and Reservists are being mustered into the service of the United States, beginning with ten regiments of reservists scheduled to be completed by Aug. 31. By Sept. 1 all Philippine Army camps will be turned over to the United States.

**SIGNIFICANT DEVELOPMENTS**  
There have been a number of significant developments in the civilian attitude towards the crisis. One of these is the appearance of anti-Quezon mayors (Mr. Quezon is the Philippine president) in the socialist communities where the pampanian elected by the local communist peasantry are on pledge to fight at the side of the United States and the Philippines against totalitarian states.

A similar pledge has been given to General M.O. Arthur, the United States Commander-in-Chief, by delegates of Philippine labour organisations.

**COMMERCIAL PURGE**  
The local council for civil liberties has called on all citizens to furnish information to prove the political unfitness of certain applicants for citizenship and also urged Government and private firms to purge their employees of Axis nationals and known Fascists.

The spirit of the people in Manila is calm.

The war and the Far East crisis is at present somewhat offset by preparations for the elections. All election issues are local since in foreign policy all parties are united in support of the United States.

The local press is unanimously backing the United States.

A meeting took place yesterday

## STRAITS TIMES URGES STRONG ACTION TO CHECK JAPAN

"We must answer arrogance and insolence with arrogance and insolence and must provide unmistakable evidence of determination for translating our threats into action," said the STRAITS TIMES in an editorial urging Britain and the United States to adopt an even stronger attitude vis-a-vis Japan. The Times said that Pacific war will be avoided from the moment Britain and the United States make it abundantly clear that they are prepared to wage war against Japan.

It is believed that Anglo-American policy in the Far East is not yet vigorous enough for checking Japan's campaign of intimidation which has resulted in Japanese gains in Indo-China and Thailand. The Times urged that Britain and the United States should announce forthwith their willingness of aid to Thailand immediately; otherwise, Thailand is bound to become totally "Japanized."

Japan seems to believe that her bluffs and arrogance are able to continue indefinitely. "We must get together and say here and now: 'Thus far and no farther,'" the Times concluded. —(Central News).

## South China Operations

### JAPANESE TROOPS LOOT SHOPS

SHUIKWAN, Aug. 11 (Reuters)—A number of shops at Yeekai, north of Chaonan, in southeast Kwangtung, were looted by Japanese troops from Chaonan on the morning of August 1. A quantity of lumber was also taken away.

The Japanese retreated when Chinese troops came to engage them. On the morning of August 3 Japanese soldiers from Tanghai on the southeast Kwangtung coast tried to cross the Linyeung River in two steam boats. After meeting with Chinese resistance, they retired to Tanghai.

### BARRACKS RAIDED

TUNGCHENG, Aug. 11 (Central)—A Chinese vanguard unit raided the Japanese barracks outside Kiatun in south Hupeh on the night of August 5. Hand-grenades were hurled into the barracks where the Japanese were asleep. Many of them were killed. The Chinese captured four machine-guns, about 100 rifles and many documents.

A Japanese supply depot and the office of the Japanese-sponsored peace maintenance committee at Tapingchung, west of Tashaping in south Hupeh, were also raided by Chinese troops that night. Considerable damage was done.

## ASSOCIATION FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

A group of overseas Chinese who returned to Kwangtung recently have organised an Association of Returned Kwangtung Overseas Chinese for Productive Enterprises with a view to absorbing idle Chinese capital abroad for the economic development of the province.

The Association will engage in agricultural, industrial and mining industries.

In agriculture, a plantation, a forestry station and a ranch will be established while in the field of industry, factories will be set up for spinning and weaving, paper and machine tools making. In mining, coal iron and gold mines will be exploited.

The capital has been tentatively fixed at \$50,000,000 to be paid up in two periods. In the first period \$15,000,000 will be raised from the Philippines and the South Sea regions and in the second, the remaining \$35,000,000 from North, Central and South America.

In order to have a competent personnel, the Association is planning to invite expert economists, geologists, agriculturalists, engineers, chemists and veterinarians to take part in the work. If necessary, foreign technicians will be employed. —(Central News).

## GERMAN PANZER INFANTRY AND TROOPS DEALT HEAVY BLOWS BY RED AIR FORCE

MOSCOW, Aug. 11 (Reuters)—The following is the text of a communique issued by the Soviet Information Bureau at 10.30 p.m. G.M.T.

"On August 10 our troops continued fighting stubbornly against the enemy in the directions of Solist, Kholm, Smolensk, Byelaya-Tserkov and Uman.

"Our air force in co-operation with the land forces inflicted blows on enemy panzer troops and infantry. On August 9 our air force brought down 45 German aircraft and lost 25 of our own.

"According to precise data now available, during the German raid on Moscow on the night of August 9-10, ten German aircraft were brought down and not eight as previously reported.

"During the day of August 9, our fighters destroyed in addition five German reconnaissance aircraft in the Moscow civil defence zone.

### EASTERN FRONT

LONDON, Aug. 11 (Reuters)—Following their recent claims of great military successes against the Russians in the Ukraine, the Nazis yesterday fell strangely silent about the operations on the eastern front.

The German mid-day communique resurrected the well-known phrase about "operations continuing according to plan" but made no specific military claims. Even Goebbels' official news agency—usually so verbose—had little to say about the progress of the fighting.

According to the Moscow communique, battles are still raging in the same sectors of the front, namely: Smolensk where the Nazis have now been held up for weeks after driving an ugly wedge into the Russian lines; Korosten, an important Ukrainian railway town 90 miles northwest of Kiev, the capture of which (Korosten) the Germans recently claimed; and the Estonian sector where the Germans are trying to smash their way through to Leningrad.

### GUERRILLA BANDS

A message from Stockholm last night indicates that the Germans are now trying to modify the sensational claims they made on Saturday of the trapping of Soviet forces in southern Ukraine by an encircling movement aiming at cutting off the Black Sea port of Odessa and Nikolaiev.

Meanwhile Soviet guerilla bands, it is officially announced in Moscow, are continuing their work in the German rear. Some of them are operating as far back as Lwow in Poland over 250 miles behind the German lines.

### FINNISH CLAIMS

STOCKHOLM, Aug. 11 (Reuters)—The cutting off of several Russian divisions is claimed in a Finnish communique.

It says that the enemy's fortified positions have been broken through and that wedges have been driven as far as Lake Ladoga. Several enemy divisions have been cut off. There have been great enemy losses of men and material owing to obstinate resistance.

It adds that the completion of encirclement and destruction of the enemy is continuing, but does not mention a single place.

### "SCORCHED EARTH"

ZURICH, Aug. 11 (Reuters)—The thoroughness of Russia's "scorched earth" policy is amply demonstrated by German War Films Propaganda Company reports, according to the Berlin correspondent of the Swiss newspaper National Zeitung. "No town, no village and no settlement remains spared. Hundreds of thousands of dwellings have been razed to the ground," he writes and adds that a German war correspondent who toured the whole front concluded his report by saying: "The end of the fighting cannot yet be foreseen."

## EDUCATION IN FRONTIER REGIONS

For the purpose of advancing education in the frontier regions, the Ministry of Education has circulated the Departments of Education of the Kansu, Ninghsia, Tsinhsai, Sikong and Suiyuan Provincial Governments, instructing each of them to establish a Frontier Education Promotion Committee with the Education Commissioner acting concurrently as Chairman.

The chief duties of the Committee are to study the educational problems in the frontier regions, to make suggestions on the adjustments of the educational structure and educational expenses, and to give directions to students to seek higher education or employment. —(Central News).

## Slav Nations To Present United Front To Germans

MOSCOW, Aug. 11 (Reuters)—Representatives of all Slav nations—Poles, Czechs, Serbians, Croats, Slovenes, Macedonians and Montenegrins—spoke at a meeting held in Moscow yesterday afternoon. The meeting was opened by the well-known Soviet Russian writer Alexei Tolstoy.

Tolstoy declared that the Slav world must unite for a speedy and final destruction of the German Fascists. They were united as different groups but as equals. The Slav peoples must hamper, spoil, destroy and annihilate the Fascist war machine everywhere.

The Polish General Jenuhattis, speaking in Polish, declared that Poland's resistance and sacrifice had thwarted the enemy's plans. The Nazi attack on the Soviet marked the beginning of the ruin of the German Fascists. This struggle for the Slavs was one of life or death.

The speaker said that the Sikorski Government had shown a great measure of political wisdom by entering into a Russo-Polish agreement. The Polish people would support General Sikorski's work. Their duty was to put the agreement into operation immediately. This was no time for doubts. Now they must defeat Hitler.

### POLISH ARMY

Poland was now forming an army by the side of the Red Army. Its cadres should soon be filled but all must fight, even those in the rear, but they must use wisdom for the enemy was cunning and cruel.

"The time for vengeance for 1,000 years of murder of the Slavs is at hand. Let us also fight for a better world, German Fascism is not only the enemy of the Slavs, French and English; it also personifies a mean world of violence and slavery."

### CZECH UNIT

LONDON, Aug. 11 (Reuters)—The Czech Foreign Minister announced that a Czech military unit is being organised in Russia and will fight under their own officers but within the command of the Soviet Union.

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## SOLAR ECLIPSE PARTY

The Solar Eclipse Observation Party organized jointly by the Astronomical Research Department of the Academia Sinica and other institutions has arrived in Lanchow.

After a brief stay, the party will proceed to Lingtao in southern Kansu, where total eclipse will be observable on Sept. 21.—(Central News).

## CHINESE ENGINEERS TO HOLD ANNUAL MEET IN KWEIYANG

The tenth annual meeting of the Chinese Engineers' Society is scheduled to take place in Kweiyang in October. Preparations for the meeting are under way.

It is understood the sessions of the meeting will be held at the newly completed Science Institute Building.—(Central News).

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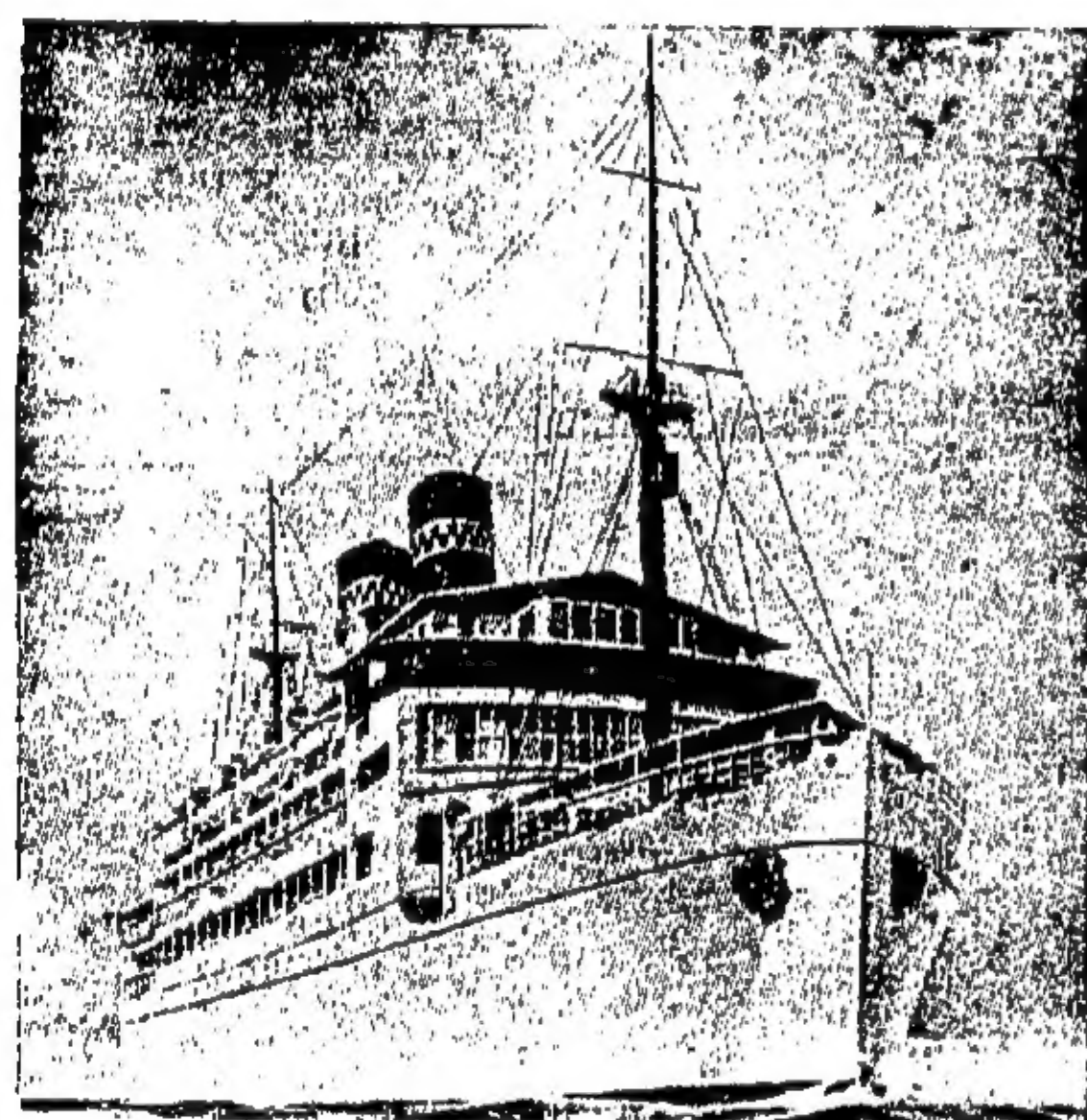
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### CHINESE COMPANY

Resignations. The undermen-  
tioned members have been per-  
mitted to resign from the Chinese  
Company, as from dates shown  
against them:—

Constables (R) 1523 Gorx Cheng  
—August 2, 1941; (R) 1389 Wong  
K. Sum—August 2, 1941; (R) 1793  
Cheung Hin Chiu—August 2, 1941  
and (R) 1569 Wong Yui Po—  
August 2, 1941.

Dismissal. Constable (R) 1406  
Leung Sze Cheung has been dis-  
missed from the Chinese Com-  
pany, as from August 6, 1941.

Commendation. Constable (R)  
23 Lau Wing Shing is commended  
by the Hon. Commissioner of  
Police for zeal and alertness in  
arresting a Chinese male on May  
20, 1941 who was convicted to-  
gether with another Chinese male  
for Larceny and Assault on a  
Bodily Harm.

Training Course—Part I. Those  
detailed will attend at Murray  
Parade Ground for instruction in  
Part I of Training Course on Wed-  
nesday, August 13, at 17.30 hours  
sharp. Dress—Khaki Uniform.

Patrol Duty. Patrol duties will  
be carried out as ordered.

### INDIAN COMPANY

Inspection Parade. All ranks of  
the Indian Company will parade  
on Wednesday, August 13 for in-  
spection of equipment etc., by the  
Company Commander at Murray  
Parade Ground at 17.30 hours  
sharp. Dress—Khaki Uniform.  
The Equipment Officer will make  
it a point of being present.

Training Course—Part II. Those  
detailed will attend Police Reserve  
Headquarters, Lecture Room on  
Friday, August 15 at 17.30 hours  
for instruction in Part II of  
Training Course under Sub In-  
spector (R) Imam Din.

Patrol Duty. Patrol duties will  
be carried out as ordered.

### MOTOR PATROL UNIT

Training Course—Part I. Those  
detailed will attend at Murray  
Parade Ground for instruction in  
Part I of Training Course on  
Wednesday, August 13, at 17.30  
hours sharp. Dress—Khaki Uni-  
form.

Training Course—Part II. Those  
detailed will attend Police Train-  
ing School, Kowloon for instruc-  
tion in Part II of Training Course  
on August 12, 14, 15, and 18, at  
16.00 hours sharp. Dress—Op-  
tional.

Patrol Duty. Patrol duties will  
be carried out as ordered.

### EMERGENCY UNIT

Promotions. Acting Police Ser-  
geant (R) 452 O. R. Sadick is  
promoted to the rank of Police  
Sergeant (R) as from August 8,  
1941.

Acting Lance Sergeants (R) 461  
R. M. Marques, (R) 474 F. J.  
Medina and (R) 475 F. A. de Sousa  
are promoted to the rank of  
Lance Sergeant (R) as from  
August 8, 1941.

Appointments. Police Sergeant  
(R) 444 W. E. Dorabjee is ap-  
pointed to the rank of Acting  
Sub Inspector (R) as from August  
8, 1941.

Lance Sergeants (R) 443 L. S.  
Budagian and (R) 471 J. F. da  
Silva are appointed to the rank of

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Working Costs £26,276 Sterling.

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Mine Profit for Quarter (subject  
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Malaya) £10,658.

## FLOATING MINE

A floating mine was reported  
yesterday sighted in a position  
about two miles south-west of Ha  
Mei Tsui, Lamma Island. The re-  
port regarding the mine was made  
to the Harbour Office by the mas-  
ter of the ferry launch "Man  
Hong."

Acting Police Sergeant (R) as  
from August 8, 1941.

Constables (R) (460 A. J.  
Sequeira, (R) 462 C. Fisher, (R)  
467 A. F. Baptista, (R) 468 A. F.  
Delgado and (R) 472 L. J. Castilho  
are appointed to the rank of Act-  
ing 7ance Sergeant (R) as from  
August 8, 1941.

Training Course—Part I. Those  
detailed will attend at Murray  
Parade Ground on Wednesday,  
August 13 at 17.30 hours sharp for  
instruction in Part I of Training  
Course. Dress—Khaki Uniform.

Training Course—Part II. Those  
detailed will attend at Reserve  
Headquarters Lecture Room on  
Thursday, August 14 at 17.15  
hours for instruction in Part II of  
Training Course under Police Ser-  
geant (R) 452 O. R. Sadick.

Riot Drill. All ranks of Hong-  
kong Squads (1 to 3) will attend  
at Kennedy Road on Friday,  
August 15 for Riot Drill under  
Acting Inspector (R) M. A. de  
Sousa. Van will leave Reserve  
Headquarters at 17.20 hours sharp.  
Dress—Khaki Uniform. Riot Baton  
to be carried.

Patrol Duty. Patrol duties will  
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Hongkong, Aug. 11, 1941.

## HONG KONG TIDE TABLE

From 12 to 18 Aug. 1941.

Days of Week	Days of Month	HIGH WATER.		LOW WATER.	
		Hong Kong Standard Time	Height	Hong Kong Standard Time	Height
Tues.	12	h. m.	ft. in.	h. m.	ft. in.
		00 53	5 2	05 56	2 9
		12 16	5 6	18 36	2 2
Wed.	13	01 22	5 3	06 47	3 3
		12 46	5 1	19 06	2 6
Thu.	14	01 54	5 4	07 51	3 3
		13 24	4 5	19 37	3 0
Fri.	15	02 30	5 4	08 42	3 4
		14 22	4 1	20 09	3 2
Sat.	16	03 14	5 6	10 09	3 2
		16 48	3 6	20 42	2 6
Sun.	17	04 08	5 7	12 14	2 7
Mon.	18	05 06	6 1	13 02	2 4
		20 19	4 0	23 26	3 8

## CHINESE GOODS FOR BATAVIA

Plans for the establishment of  
a department store for Chinese  
products in Batavia are now un-  
der consideration by a group of  
prominent Chinese industrialists  
and merchants here under the  
leadership of Mr. Hioe Njan-  
yong, Chairman of the Chinese  
Chamber of Commerce in Batavia,  
who is now visiting in Hongkong.

Also under consideration is a  
plan to market Batavia's sugar  
products in Hongkong and Shang-  
hai.

With a view to marketing Chi-  
nese goods in America, Mr. Yu  
Yung, leading Chinese industria-  
list, is leaving shortly to study  
possibilities of marketing Chinese  
products there.—(Central).

## CHINESE PRODUCTS GALLERY

After a long preparation, the  
Chinese Products Gallery, at 8  
Queen's Road Central, jointly es-  
tablished by the Chinese Goods  
and Industrial Society, the Over-  
seas Chinese Economic Reconstruc-  
tion Association and the South  
Seas Industrial Corporation, will  
be formally inaugurated on Aug.  
15.

A group of Chinese industrial  
and commercial leaders here, in-  
cluding Messrs. Ip Lan-chuen, Yu  
Ya-ching, Wang Hsiao-lai, P.  
Gockchin, and Ling Kang-hou,  
will be present at the inaugural  
ceremony.

## TYPHOON WARNING

A warning issued by the Manila  
authorities yesterday morning at  
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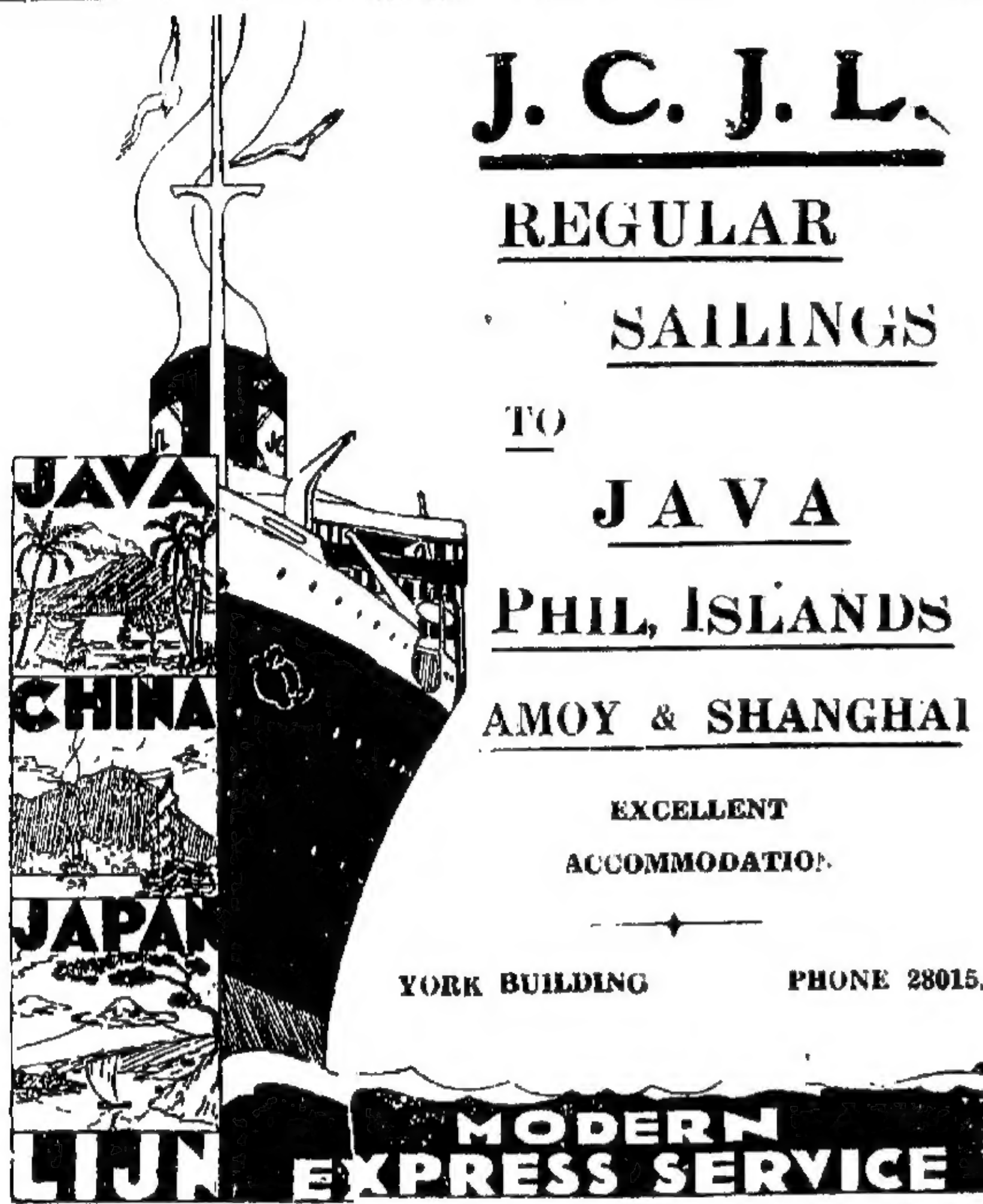
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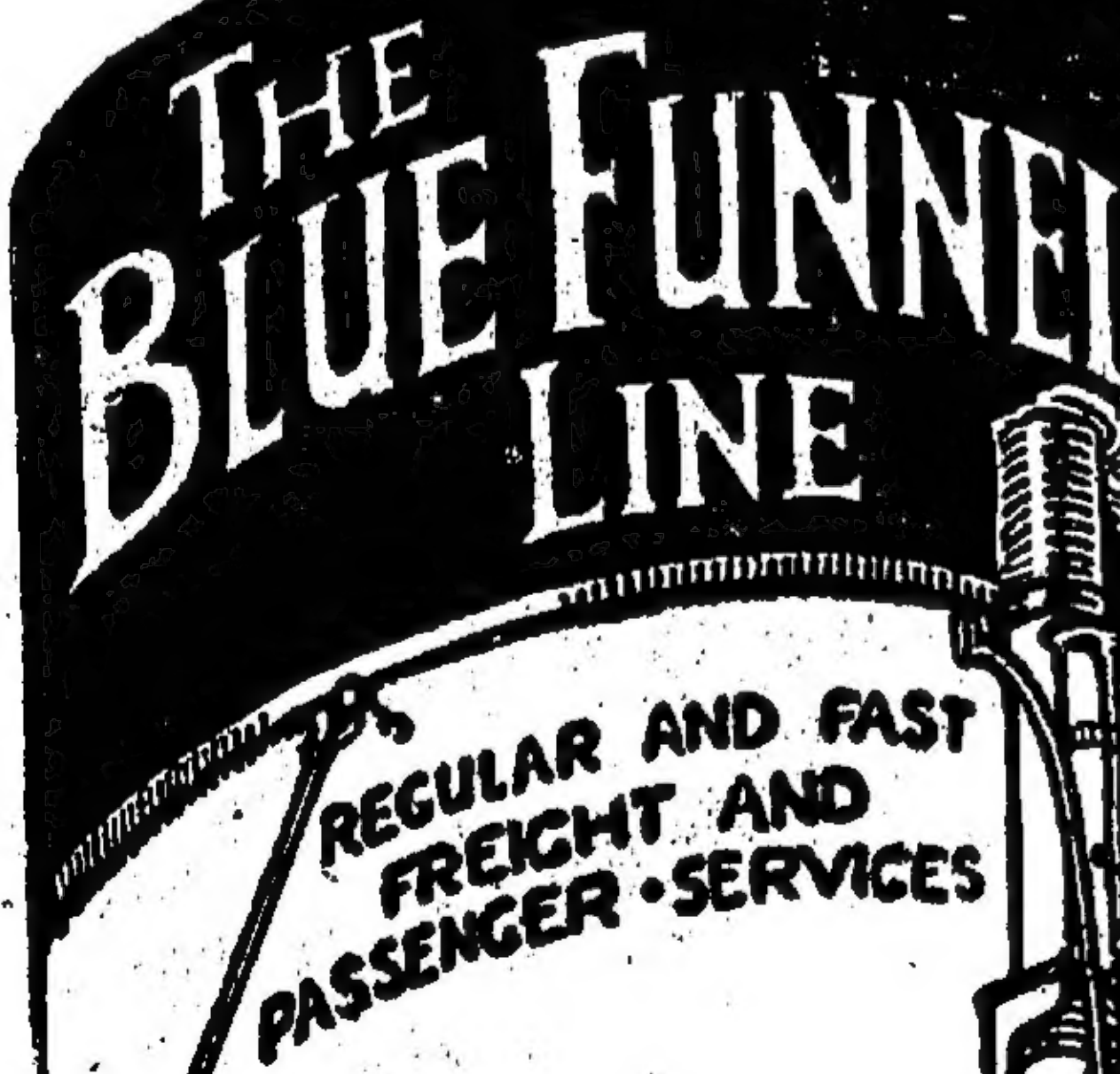


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LONDON, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—"Hardship has only steeled our hearts and strengthened our resolution," declared Her Majesty the Queen in a special broadcast last night addressed to the American people.

"However great the cost, however long the struggle, justice, freedom, human dignity and kindness shall not perish from the earth."

The text of the broadcast follows:

It is just over two years ago since I spoke to the American people and my purpose then was to thank countless friends for much kindness. It is to those same friends, and even of greater kindness, that I want to speak today.

We, like yourselves, love peace and have not devoted years behind us to the planning of death destruction. As yet save in the valour of our people, we have not matched our enemies and it is only now that we are beginning to marshal around us in their full strength the devotion and resources of our great British family of nations which will in the end, please God, assuredly prevail.

### HEAVY BURDEN

Through these waiting months, a heavy burden is being borne by our people. As I go amongst them, I marvel at their unshakable constancy. In many cities, their homes are left in ruins as are many of those ancient buildings which you know and love hardly less than we do ourselves.

Women and children have been killed and even sufferers in hospital have not been spared. Yet hardship has only steeled our hearts and strengthened our resolution. Wherever I go, I see bright eyes and smiling faces, for though our road is stony and hard, it is straight and we know

that we fight in a great cause. It is not our way in dark days to turn for support to others, but even had we minded so to do, your instant help would have forestalled us.

The warmth and sympathy of American generosity has touched beyond measure the hearts of all of us living and fighting in these islands. We can never and shall never forget that in the hour of our greatest need, you came forward with clothes for the homeless, food for the hungry, comfort for those who were sorely afflicted.

### BEYOND EXPRESSION

Canteens, ambulances and medical supplies have come in an unceasing flow from the United States. I find it hard to tell you of our gratitude in adequate terms though I ask you to believe that it is deep and sincere beyond expression.

Unless you have seen as I have seen just how your gifts have been put to use, you cannot know perhaps the solace which you have brought to men and women of Britain, who are suffering and toiling in the cause of freedom.

Here in Britain, our women are working in the factory and in the field, turning the lathe and gathering the harvest, for we must have food as well as munitions. Their courage is magnificent, their endurance amazing. I have seen them in many different activities. They are serving in their thousands with Navy, Army and Air Force, driving heavy lorries, cooking, cyphering and typing and everyone of them is working cheerfully and bravely under all conditions. Many are on the land, our precious soil, driving the plough and making a grand job of it. Others are aid raid wardens or ambulance drivers, thousands of undaunted women who quietly and calmly face the terrors of night bombings, bringing strength and courage to the people they protect and help.

## Communism Reviving In France

ZURICH, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—While Admiral Darlan continued his efforts on Sunday to persuade his colleagues to accept the policy of full surrender, a bomb exploded in front of the Vichy synagogue, according to the Vichy correspondent of the paper *L'ASUSSE*.

Official Vichy circles called the outrage which follows the assassination of M. Dormoy a "provocative attempt."

While the French right wing adopts the Balkan methods, Communism is reviving in France under the influence of the Russian resistance with Anglo-American co-operation.

"Many Frenchmen," writes the *Lasusse* correspondent, "from the mere fact that Moscow has become the enemy of the Reich, are ready to forget what Bolshevism means."

Cardinal Baudouin, interviewed by the periodical *TOUTE LA VIE*, said he approves of Germany's "crusade" against Russia.

### SOVIET REPRESENTATIONS TO IRAN

LONDON, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—It is learnt that the Soviet Government has been addressing representations to the Iranian Government about the presence in Iran of German nationals and the potential dangers thereof.

The Soviet also called the attention to the importance in Iran's own interests of reducing the number of the Germans there.

There is, however, no confirmation of the reports that M. Stalin has reminded the Shah of Iran of the Treaty of 1921 under which the Soviet Army is entitled to march across Iranian frontiers in certain circumstances.

### WATCH LOST

Mr. Leising, residing at No. 190, Prince Edward Road, reported to the Police yesterday the loss of a wrist watch, valued at \$50, between the Star Ferry pier, Ice House Street and Des Voeux Road, about 9 a.m.

### WOMAN ROBBED

Four robbers, three of them armed with knives, gained access to the ground floor of No. 29, Wing Hing Street, about 5 p.m. yesterday, and robbed a woman, Wu Yuk-shu, 26, of money and jewellery, subsequently making good their escape.

## Latest R.A.F. Communique

### TRIPOLI DOCK AREA HEAVILY BOMBED

CAIRO, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—Heavy R.A.F. attacks on Italian aerodromes in Greece and Sicily as well as in Libya figure in the latest R.A.F. communique.

It says: "Libya.—During Saturday night our bombers attacked several enemy targets in North Africa. Three large fires, accompanied by violent explosions and flying debris, occurred at Tripoli where the dock area was raided. Fires in the neighbourhood of the powerhouse were visible for a considerable distance from the target."

"Bardia was attacked by an R.A.F. bomber formation and also by aircraft of the Fleet Air Arm. Blenheims obtained hits on motor transport yard, causing explosions and a number of fires."

"Aircraft of the Fleet Air Arm made a series of drive attacks and started a number of fires."

### BENGHAZI RAID

"Heavy bombers also attacked the port of Benghazi, where explosions were seen on railway sidings, and port of Derna where fires followed the attack."

"Greece.—Heavy bombers attacked the aerodrome at Eleusis, starting a fire which is believed to have destroyed a number of aircraft."

"Sicily.—Bombs were dropped on the harbour at Catania on Friday. A 2,000-ton motor vessel at the quayside was damaged by bombs on and near it."

"From all these operations, our aircraft returned safely."

## Last Week's Air Losses

LONDON, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—The Axis Powers lost 57 planes and the R.A.F. 52 in Western Europe and Middle East during the last week.

Indications of intensive attacks by the R.A.F. over Germany compared with slight Luftwaffe activity over Britain are reflected in the fact that British night losses over Germany and occupied territory were 27 bombers.

Germany lost one bomber at night and two in daylight over Britain.

In daylight sweeps across the Channel, 24 British fighters failed to return and 35 German fighters were destroyed. Another German fighter was shot down by a British bomber at night.

The British lost only one machine in the Middle East where 18 Axis aircraft were destroyed. The Navy accounted for another two enemy planes.

## ALL-OUT FOR DEFENCE

LONDON, Aug. 9.—Advocating an all-out programme for defence on Aug. 8, Mr. Henry Morgenthau urged the present Senate defence committee that the revenue from the \$801,500,000 Tax 'B' bill should be increased to at least \$875,000,000.

He asked Congress to tax millions of additional persons with small incomes by cutting personal income tax exemptions.

### MARKET FIGHT

About 9 o'clock on Sunday night, a tree-for-all fight occurred near the Salingpung Market as a result of which three men were injured and sent to hospital.

The cause of the fight was said to be due to fruit hawkers arguing over positions where they squatted.

Those sent to hospital were Leung Shiu, Tang Yip and Liu Cheung, who all received severe cuts on the head.

### HEALTH BULLETIN

The following is the Returns of notifiable diseases notified as having occurred in the Colony during the 72 hours ended at midnight on Aug. 10:

Cholera, 16 cases; Diphtheria, three cases; Dysentery, 13 cases; Enteric Fever, seven cases; Measles, two cases; Tuberculosis, 99 cases.

### CAR RECOVERED

Stolen from the Statue Square car park, a car (No. 188), belonging to Mr. Burn, of the War Taxation Department, was recovered by the police about 7 p.m. yesterday evening. The car had been driven away from Statue Square between 3 and 4 a.m.

## FOREIGN MAILS

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, 12th AUGUST, 1941.

Air Mail to Rangoon to connect with the British Overseas Airways Service will until further notice be closed on Mondays and Fridays. Correspondence for despatch by this route must be superscribed by "C.N.A.C."

The public are reminded that it is a breach of postal regulations to enclose in a postal cover communications intended for persons other than the addressee.

The Printed Matter Service to the following places in China is temporarily suspended:—

Yunnan  
Szechuen  
Kweichow  
Hunan  
Fukien (except Amoy and Kulansu)  
Kwangsi  
North and East of Kwangtung.

Small Packet Post to all countries is suspended.

### INWARD AIR MAILS

From	Due
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 5th August, .....	13th Aug.
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 19th August, .....	26th Aug.

### OUTWARD AIR MAILS

For	Date and Time
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>Wed. 13th Aug.</b> <b>K.P.O.</b> Reg. 6.00 PM Ord. 5.30 PM
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, U.S.A. and Europe via "Pan-American Airways and Trans-Atlantic Services" .....	<b>G.P.O.</b> Reg. 6.00 PM Ord. 7.00 PM
<b>FRIDAY</b>	<b>Fri. 15th Aug.</b> <b>K.P.O.</b> Reg. 4.00 PM Ord. 4.30 PM
Air Mail by Air to Rangoon to connect with the "British Overseas Airways" .....	<b>G.P.O.</b> Reg. 4.00 PM Ord. 4.30 PM
<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>Mon. 18th Aug.</b> <b>K.P.O.</b> Reg. 4.00 PM Ord. 4.30 PM
Air Mail by Air to Rangoon to connect with the "British Overseas Airways" .....	<b>G.P.O.</b> Reg. 4.00 PM Ord. 4.30 PM
<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>Tue. 20th Aug.</b> <b>K.P.O.</b> Reg. 6.00 PM Ord. 5.30 PM
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, U.S.A. and Europe via "Pan-American Airways and Trans-Atlantic Services" .....	<b>G.P.O.</b> Reg. 6.00 PM Ord. 7.00 PM

## OVER \$2 MILLION DAMAGE

### Shanghai Newspaper Suspends Issue

CHUNGKING, Aug. 11 (Central).—Owing to the heavy damage sustained as a result of the bombing of its office on Saturday, the Central China Daily News, Wang Ching-wei's paper in Shanghai, failed to appear yesterday and may not be able to resume publication at present, says a Shanghai dispatch.

It is learned that three incendiary and explosive bombs were secretly brought in by patriotic workers of the paper. The explosions set the large stock of newsprint on fire which soon spread to the whole four-storey building.

The conflagration lasted for more than four hours. It was seen even on the south bank of the Soochow Creek. Settlement Police and Japanese gendarmes threw a cordon around the place and stopped all traffic.

The total damage is estimated at approximately \$2,500,000.

### FORGED PERMITS

For possession of forged Immigration Permits four Chinese who arrived from Macao have been detained as there has been quite a lot of this going on lately from passengers from Macao.

The local authorities will ask the co-operation of the Macao Police to help to straighten this matter.

## WOPS KILLED TO A MAN

CAIRO, Aug. 12 (Reuter).—A British communique today states that during Saturday night, Italian troops delivered an attack against one of our posts in the outer defences of Tobruk.

The attackers were allowed to approach to within 300 yards when they were killed almost to a man by heavy defensive fire from our artillery and machine-guns.

### KUNMING RAIDED

KUNMING, Aug. 11 (Central).—Twenty-six Japanese planes raided Kunming at noon yesterday. Kept at an altitude of about 5,000 feet by Chinese anti-aircraft fire, the raiders dropped over 100 bombs indiscriminately, causing more than 10 casualties and demolishing about 100 houses.

## SWEDS SETS NEW TRACK MARK

STOCKHOLM, Aug. 11 (Reuter).—The Swedish long-distance runner, Gunder Haegg, has established a new record for the 1,500 metres flat race, covering the distance in 3 min. 6/10 sec.

The previous holder was the New Zealander, Jack Lovelock, whose time was 3 min. 47/10 sec.

Friends of the late Professor Hsu Ti-shan, of the University of Hongkong, who died on Aug. 4, are planning to hold a memorial service in the near future. They are also planning to raise an endowment fund to perpetuate his memory.

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